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"An Ill Wind That Blows Nobody Good"—Attempt to Provoke Another Massacre.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 17.—It is known that the landing of Greek forces at Crete has caused a great sensation at the Yildiz Kiosk and it required the use of much tact and diplomatic skill on the part of the ambassadors to prevail upon the Porte to accept the situation as now presented. The council of ministers has decided to leave the pacification of Crete to the powers. This is regarded as a wise decision, there being a most complicated situation in Crete, where the flags of Great Britain, Russia, France, Italy and Austria are flying alongside the Turkish standard, while Greece is seemingly defying the powers or acting as a mandatory of Europe.

The ministerial council also decided to send Karatheodori Pasha to Crete as Imperial High Commissioner to adopt military measures on the Greek frontier, to appoint Marshal Edehem Pasha, director of operations against the insurgents at Zeitoum in 1896, to command the Turkish troops at Alassona and to call out the redifs or first reserves, and the third army corps, now at Salonica.

The measures are for purely defensive purposes and are to enable the Turkish government to be prepared for all eventualities. The Sultan informed the ambassadors that in view of the aggressive attitude of Greece he has been obliged to adopt measures required by the situation. At the same time he took occasion to express his satisfaction at the landing of detachments of marines at Canea from the warships of Great Britain, Russia, France, Italy and Austria for the restoration of order in Crete.

The Sultan seems to be well aware that Greece would not have acted as defiantly as she has done without having at least one powerful friend behind her. It is this feature of the complications that is having the most calming effect upon the Turks, who also see in the abandonment of Crete to Greece a possible loophole of escape from further and much more important changes in the map of the Turkish empire.

To the Sultan this seems to be the old story of its being "an ill wind which blows nobody good." He is credited with hoping that his obedience to the wishes of his powerful friend, or the friends of Greece, in the matter of Crete may be placed to his credit when the long-discussed and much-postponed "reforms" in the Turkish empire come to the front again. The action of Greece may have been nothing more than a coincidence, but out of such coincidences Oriental diplomacy is framed.

It has been announced in the newspapers here that the Turkish minister at Athens has been appointed a member of the council of state, and the Greek minister here, Mauricodato, is to be given his passports, but as this dispatch is sent the report has not been confirmed, and the Sultan may have been induced by the ambassadors to delay the matter.

There was an incident at the People's theatre in the Stamboul quarter yesterday evening which is regarded by many people as being an attempt to provoke another outbreak on the part of the Mussulmans. Two Albanian soldiers of the Yildiz palace guard, the most trusted troops of the Sultan, who were among the audience, suddenly discharged their revolvers in the air, causing a terrible panic. A rough-and-tumble fight followed, during which a bystander was wounded. Two of the guardsmen were arrested and taken to the nearest police depot, previous to being handed over to the military authorities at the Yildiz kiosk.

ATHENS, Feb. 17.—A battery of field artillery, commanded by Prince Nicholas of Greece, started to-day for Larissa, twenty miles from the gulf of Salonica, and military reserves are still being enrolled. The Greek ironclad Spezia, which arrived here from Toulon yesterday, is to be prepared for active service with all possible haste. Reinforcements are being sent to the Greek troops on the island of Crete. The Greek government maintains it is acting in the interests of the peace of Europe.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Regarding the situation in Crete the Times says: "The hoisting of the flags of the powers on the citadel of Canea by the side of the Turkish standard as reported by our correspondent is a more important event than the descent of a few hundred Greek soldiers with proclamations. Doubtless the insurgents will soon submit. The first condition of pacification, however, is that complete assurance must be given that in no case will the island revert to the Sultan's direct control."

The Constantinople correspondent of the Times thinks that the powers have decided to occupy the Cretan seaports in the northern and western portions of the island, leaving the Greeks to enjoy themselves in the mountainous regions of the interior. He believes that the Turks are sick of Crete and are willing to surrender that unprofitable possession to Greece if Greece will bind herself to assume an attitude of quiescence in Macedonia.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Rome says that it can be positively stated that the powers have agreed upon the three following points: 1. To maintain the joint occupation of Crete by the five powers, under the command of the Italian officers. 2. A guarantee of peace while discussing a definite arrangement guided by the general interests of Europe. 3. Without provoking graver troubles to take into account the legitimate desires of all people interested.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says it is stated that the government have wired fresh instructions to Colonel Vassos. Another dispatch to the Times says that Saadedin, who was recalled from Crete recently at the instance of the powers for fomenting plots against the reforms, left Constantinople for Crete yesterday with three battalions.

A dispatch to the Times from Canea, dated Wednesday evening, Feb. 17, says: "The Greek government has wired its consul here to reopen the consulate, which has been done, thus creating an anomalous situation in the resumption of diplomatic relations, while the Greek army has occupied Crete in the King's name."

Platiades Pasha has been appointed vali of Crete on the recommendation of the powers.

The Russian admiral has sent the Montenegrin gens d'armes ashore.

The Athens correspondent of the Times says that advices from Uskub, Turkey, report the departure of three Turkish battalions, with seven guns, two wagons of ammunition and seventeen artillery officers, en route for the Greek frontier.

A dispatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says there is no longer the least doubt that Russia is preparing for war—not necessarily to declare war, but to meet any necessity in connection with the eastern crisis. Even the Red Cross society of the Crimea is taking active steps in the same direction.

A dispatch to the Times from Berlin says: "At the ball at the opera house to-night (Wednesday) Emperor William conversed over an hour with the representatives of the six powers."

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Berlin says that the dowager Czarina has wired the King of Greece, promising to do everything in her power to help him.

A dispatch to the Times from Athens says that Lt.-Col. Dimbrittis has been appointed chief of staff of a Cretan expeditionary force. Several officers have been sent to Crete to organize companies of volunteers under the orders of Col. Vassos. Another battalion has been ordered to hold itself in readiness to proceed to Crete.

A dispatch to the Standard from Athens says that news was received to-night (Wednesday) that Col. Vassos has captured another important position, the village of Vouklies.

Another infantry battalion with guns, volunteers and stores started for Crete to-night (Wednesday). The King of Greece receives daily telegrams from all parts of the world especially from England, Italy and the United States urging him to pursue his policy to the end. A solemn Te Deum was celebrated in the chapel of the palace. All the members of the royal family were present. These religious services were held just previous to the departure of Prince Nicholas, who bid all farewell and left for Larissa, amidst the enthusiasm of the crowds.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Athens says that a portion of the forces commanded by Col. Vassos attacked the town of Boucolion, which place was surrendered by the Turkish garrison after a short resistance.

A dispatch to the Times from Athens says: "The Turks are fortifying Canea. European officers with a Turkish colonel have inspected the forts. The corpse of the sister of the Russian vice-consul was found mutilated at Halepha."

In order to avoid the dangers incident to travelling on the streets of Constantinople the Sultan to-day and returned by sea from the palace to Peapon, during the ceremony of kissing the prophet's mantle, which is a feature of the rites of the great annual Mohammedan fast of Ramadan. Fifty thousand naval reserves, including the men on furlough, were called out.

A dispatch to the Times from Brussels says it is reported that a rebellion has broken out in the Equatorial district of the Congo State. Governor Wheis, personally commanding an armed force, is marching on Luluaberg.

A Turkish squadron, consisting of four warships and ten torpedo boats has been ordered to start for Crete in a few days. It will be joined there by all the vessels of the Turkish Archipelago and the Gulf of Alexandria. A second Turkish squadron, made up of five warships and ten torpedo boats, has also been ordered to be prepared for active service. The minister of marine has asked for a credit of £600,000 to meet the naval expenditure.

A dispatch to the Cologne Gazette from Vienna this afternoon says that most of the powers have acceded to Germany's proposal to blockade the Piraeus, the port of Athens, in order to curb the warlike impulses of Greece.

It is reported from Crete that the Christians are blockading Retimo.

The wheat yield of Victoria, Australia, is estimated at 6,775,800 bushels.

El Di, in an article on Cuban institution, asserts in most positive terms that a ministerial crisis is impending and that Senor Sagasta will return to the premiership. The paper also says there is a likelihood that General Ramon Blanco, late governor-general of the Phillipine Islands, will replace General Weyler as captain-general of Cuba.

UNITED WORKMEN.

The Ontario Grand Lodge Declares Itself Free From the Supreme Lodge.

TORONTO, Feb. 17.—(Special)—At the afternoon session of the Grand Lodge of A.O.U.W. there was a very animated discussion on the question of separating the Ontario order from the parent organization. T. M. Cornett moved that the growth of the order in Ontario, and the peace and harmony of the order as a whole would be best served by this grand lodge, after a settlement of all claims and obligations, both on its own behalf and that of the Supreme lodge, declaring itself free and released from any further liability or obligation under the relief law, or any other law of the Supreme lodge. J. H. Nixon, of Toronto, seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. It was also decided that the head offices should be removed from St. Thomas to Toronto.

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CANADIAN PATENTS.

Deputy Commissionership to Be Abolished—Indian Famine Relief Funds Acknowledged.

"A Splendid Response" From the Dominion—Writs for Vacancies in the Commons.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—The government has decided to abolish the office of deputy commissioner of patents, rendered vacant by the death of R. D. Pope, and a bill for this purpose will be introduced in parliament. Since disputes about patents are now decided by a judge of the Exchequer court, Hon. Mr. Fisher thinks the signing of official documents can be done by Mr. Scarth, his deputy.

The writs for the Commons vacancies in Champlain and Bonaventure counties will be issued to-morrow. The nominations will take place on March 2 and the polling on March 9.

The following telegram was received to-day by His Excellency the Governor-General from Chief Justice Sir Francis McLean, chairman of the famine relief committee at Calcutta: "I am directed by the central executive committee to convey their most grateful thanks to Your Excellency and the subscribers to the famine fund for their splendid response to your appeal."

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the Colonist.)

Special Police Guards in Montreal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—So many robberies have taken place here lately that a special guard has been placed on the brokers' offices and banks by the police.

The Hammond Murder Case.

BRACEBRIDGE, Feb. 17.—In the Hammond murder trial to-day Mrs. Hammond's mother related a conversation she had had with Hammond over her daughter's dead body. The witness asked the prisoner what he had done to Katie. He replied "Nothing," and denied calling God to witness that he was married to her, but said she was married to a man named James.

Closing of Milling Concerns.

TORONTO, Feb. 17.—The Montreal correspondent of the Mail and Empire attributes the closing down of two big milling concerns in the Northwest, the Ogilvie milling and the Lake of the Woods milling companies, to the uncertainty regarding the tariff. Robert Meaghan, of the Lake of the Woods company, says the elevators of his company were closed because it cannot afford to keep them open with the present light deliveries.

Traffic Receipts.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—The C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending February 14 were $323,000; for the same week last year, $307,000.

Another Dismissal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—John Kelly, fishery inspector for Beauharnois for the past 15 years, has been dismissed. The only reason for his dismissal is that he is a Tory.

Orangemen and the School Question.

HALIFAX, Feb. 17.—The Nova Scotia Orangemen, convened at New Glasgow, are very pronounced on the Manitoba school question.

ELECTION APPEALS.

The Winnipeg and Maskinonge Cases Before the Supreme Court.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—The election petitions before the Supreme court came up yesterday morning. The appeal against Mr. Legris, Liberal member for Maskinonge, was withdrawn, the case being struck off the list. Then the Winnipeg appeal was taken up, this being by the sitting member, Mr. Hugh John Macdonald, against the decision of Judge Dubuc, at Winnipeg, dismissing the preliminary objections. The result of the trial at Winnipeg was that Mr. Macdonald was declared unseated, subject to the decision of the Supreme court on the matter of the preliminary objections. Mr. Stewart Tupper appeared for Hugh John Macdonald, and Mr. H. M. Howell, Q.C., of Winnipeg, and H. F. Chrysler, of Ottawa, for the other side. The two principal points argued by Mr. Tupper were that the person who filed the petition was not duly qualified, and secondly that service was irregular, a copy not being served on respondent. Mr. Howell produced a variety of proof of qualification, and seemed to have the court better convinced on this point than on that of the service, which, if irregular, would be fatal to the petitioners. Judgment was reserved.

GAME RING ENCOUNTER.

Dave Sullivan Defeats Patsy Haley in Thirteen Rounds.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—One of the hardest and gamest fights ever seen in a ring took place this afternoon at the Polo Athletic Club. The contestants were Dave Sullivan, of Boston, and Patsy Haley, of Buffalo. They met for a 20-round encounter at 115 pounds, and both of them weighed in at 3 o'clock this afternoon, neither of them turning the scales at the limit. The referee awarded the bout to Sullivan in the thirteenth round.

It will pay you well to call at Marks', the workingman's friend, and leave your measure for a pair of fine worsted pants, only $3.00 x

SONGHEES RESERVE.

Return Presented Yesterday of the Correspondence Between British Columbia and the Dominion.

Provincial Government Strongly Urge the Settlement of the Long Pending Question.

The Provincial Secretary yesterday presented in the house returns showing the correspondence that have gone on between the provincial and Dominion with the view of settling as speedily as possible for the removal of the Songhees Indians from the reserve within the limits and placing them elsewhere. The correspondence was as follows:

Extract from a report of the committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency on the 1st of April, 1896:

"The committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a despatch hereto attached, dated 31st of January, 1896, from the Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia transmitting a copy of a report of the committee of his executive council, embodying a resolution passed by the legislative assembly of that province, asking that the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians from their reserve to a more suitable locality be referred to a special commission.

"The Superintendent General of Indian affairs, to whom the despatch was referred, reports that the Songhees Indians were settled upon the land now occupied by them, at the time of the occupation of Vancouver island by the Hudson's Bay Co., and in a cession made by them to James Douglas, the agent of the H. B. Co. in the year 1850, of other territory, they reserved for their own use, and for the use of their children, the land at present comprised in the Songhees reserve.

"The Minister further states that under the order in council of the 16th May, 1871, admitting B. C. into the Dominion, the Songhees reserve and other lands reserved for the use and benefit of the Indians, came under the trusteeship and management of the Dominion government. An agreement was subsequently come to with the government of British Columbia respecting the allotting of reserves to Indians in that province, and under that agreement a commission was appointed for that purpose. The decision of that commission dated the 4th May, 1878, as to the Songhees reserve reads as follows:

"'The land reserve of these Indians in the harbor of Victoria appears to be the private property of the tribe by a written agreement made on the 30th April, 1850, between the chiefs and people and the agent of the H. B. Co. acting on behalf of the crown, and by the land having been formally set apart for their perpetual use and benefit, but the commissioners, so far as they have authority in the matter, confirm this reserve as surveyed to the Songish Indians.'

"The Minister observes that the legislature of B. C. has, on several occasions, passed resolutions urging upon the government of that province the desirability of having the Indians removed, and the question has formed the subject of several communications between the government and the government of the Dominion; but as the whole question of the title to Indian reserves in British Columbia was in an unsettled condition, and as the British Columbia government set up claims to reservations which the Dominion government did not feel warranted in admitting, it was not thought desirable to treat of the removal of the Songhees Indians until something definite had been done as to the larger question.

"The Minister further observes that the matter of the title of the Dominion government in reserves in British Columbia has been made by order-in-council of 5th June, 1895, the subject of a reference to the Supreme court, and it cannot now be affected by any arrangement which might be come to between the two governments and the Indians interested. Respecting their removal to a more suitable locality, the Minister further observes that if it is promised that the agreement to refer the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians to a commission, be made without prejudice to the claim of the Dominion government, as to all other reserves in the province of British Columbia, and that the title of the land which may be accepted as a reserve for the Songhees Indians, in lieu of their present reserve, be conveyed in fee simple to the Dominion government, as the trustee of the Indians, he (the Minister) would be disposed to recommend that, as suggested in the resolution of the legislature of British Columbia, the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians to a more suitable location be referred to a commission consisting of three commissioners—one to be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, one by the Dominion government, and the two so appointed to agree upon a third; and in the event of the two so appointed being unable to agree upon a third, some member of the Supreme court to be the third commissioner.

"The Minister, in case of the foregoing recommendation being approved, would also recommend that Mr. Peter O'Reilly, Indian reserve commissioner, be appointed commissioner for the Dominion government.

"The committee advise that a certified copy of this minute be forwarded to the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, for the information of his government.

"(Sd JOHN J. MCGEE,
"Clerk of the Privy Council."

Copy of a report of a committee of the hon. the executive council, approved by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, on the 30th day of January, 1896:

"The committee of the council submit for the approval of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor the following resolution passed by the legislative assembly during the present session, namely:

"Whereas, resolutions have at various times been passed by the legislature of the province of B.C., in parliament assembled, urging upon the Dominion government the desirability of obtaining the removal of the Songhees tribe of Indians from the reserve to some suitable locality; and whereas, it is highly desirable that effective steps be taken to accomplish the object aforesaid.

"Be it resolved, that a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, to request the Dominion government's consent to refer the question of removal and settlement to a special commission consisting of three commissioners, one to be appointed by the Dominion government, one to be appointed by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, the two appointed to agree upon a third, and in the event of the two so appointed being unable to agree upon a third, some member of the Supreme court of B.C. shall be the third commissioner.

"The committee advise that a copy of this minute, if approved, be forwarded to the hon. secretary of state for Canada.

"Victoria, Jan. 29, 1896.

"(Sd.) JAMES BAKER,
"Clerk Exec. Committee."

Copy of a report of a committee of the honorable the executive council, approved by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor on the 1st day of June, 1896:

"The committee of council had under consideration a dispatch from the acting Under Secretary of State for Canada, dated 10th April, 1896, transmitting a copy of a report of the committee of the honorable committee of the privy council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General on the 1st April, 1896, in reply to the resolution of the Legislative Assembly of this province asking that the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians be referred to a special commission.

"The committee are in doubt regarding the interpretation to be placed on certain observations contained in the report under consideration as to the effect of any agreement now to be entered into, and in order to avoid future misunderstanding submit that the anticipated labors of the proposed commission may be summarised as follows:

"(1.) A new reserve will be selected to which the Indians will be removed, and the title to this reserve will be vested in fee simple in the Dominion government in trust for the Indians and without any reversion to the province.

"(2.) The lands composing the present reserve will revert to the province in accordance with the fifth paragraph of the proposition submitted by the acting Minister of the Interior, dated 5th November, 1875.

"(3.) This settlement shall not affect any question as to the reversion in the remaining reserves, which matter is now in respect of the Nanaimo reserve before the Supreme Court of Canada.

"The committee remark that the early settlement of this long pending question is sufficiently important to justify the concession contained in the first paragraph above, and advise that Mr. Dennis Reginald Harris be appointed the commissioner for the Provincial government.

"This committee further advise that a certified copy of this minute, if approved, be forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of State for Canada and to the Hon. the Superintendent-General of Indian affairs, for the information of the Dominion government, with a request that Your Honor be furnished with an intimation that the intention of the minute under consideration is interpreted correctly in the above summary.

"(Sgd.) A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
"Deputy Clerk Executive Council."

Receipt acknowledged by Secretary of State 10th June.

OTTAWA, 11 June, 1896.

"SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst., conveying a copy of an approved minute of the Executive Council of B. C., made in reply to an order of His Excellency the Governor-General in council of 1st April last respecting the reference to a special commission of the question of the removal of the Songhees Indians from their present reserve to a more suitable location. In reply I beg to inform you that pending the receipt of the copy of the Executive Council, which has been forwarded to the Hon. the Secretary of State and which will in due course be referred to the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs for a report, no official action can be taken in the minute. In the meantime the action of the government is noted by the department.

"Yours obedt., etc.,
"D. C. SCOTT.

"Acting Dept. Supt.-General Indian Affairs.

"A. Campbell Reddie, Esq., Victoria, B. C."

MARKET REPORTS.

Money Plentiful but Stocks Heavy in New York—Wheat Somewhat Firmer, With a Rally at the Close.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The stock market lapsed again into the heaviness which for the most part has characterized it for the past two days. Money still continues in great abundance, and the reduction of the rate on call to 1½ to 1¾ indicates the dissolution of the agreement heretofore observed to not lend money for less than two per cent. There was no special element in to-day's developments to repress prices, general confidence continuing unimpaired. The closing quotations were: Can. Sou., 44⅛; D. & H., 107; L. & N., 49¾; Mo. Pac., 20⅛; N.Y.C., 92⅝; N.P. preferred, 28; U.P., 7; W. U., 81⅞; Com. Cable, 165⅛; C.P.R. in London, 56⅜; bar silver, 64⅝c.

Wheat—Receipts, 55,500 bushels; exports, 43,762 bushels; sales, 3,680,000 bushels futures. Spot dull; No. 1 Northern 84c Feb. afloat; No. 1 hard 88¼c Feb. afloat. Options opened firmer on better cables, ruled dull and steady at midday, with some pressure on May, but rallied finally on export rumors and reports of lower consols, closing ⅛c to ¾c advance. No. 2 red Feb. closed 81¼c, March 82¼c to 82 5-16c, closed 82¼c; April closed 80⅞c, May 89 13-16c to 89⅝c, closed 80½c; June 79¾c to 79¾c, closed 80½c; July 77⅛c to 77½c, closed 77⅞c; September 74¾ to 75¼c, closed 75¼c.

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THE RETAIL MARKETS.

Butchers Will Resort to Manitoba for Fat Cattle—B. C. Stock in Poor Condition.

The butchers are looking forward to procuring their fat cattle in Manitoba, believing that the upper country stock is too poor to be placed on the market. Some have gone so far as to complete arrangements for bringing beeves here from Manitoba, and the first shipments may be expected during the early part of the coming month. There will be no necessity, they say, to resorting to outside resources longer than a month or two, for once spring sets in in the upper country there will be any number of cattle to be had, ready for the market. The trouble now is that feed is scarce there, ranchers having had to house their stock a month earlier than in most previous winters. Then again the past summer was an exceptionally dry one and the yield of hay was comparatively short. Among other features of the market this week is that California butter is coming in quite freely, it being the only competitor which provincial made butter now has.

The current quotations are as below:

FLOUR—Ogilvie's (Hungarian) per bbl	$6.50
Lake of the Woods (Hungarian)	6.50
Victoria XXX	5.50
Lion	5.50
Portland roller	5.75
Salem	5.75
Snowflake	5.75
Premier	5.75
Three Star	5.75
Superfine	4.75
Hungarian (Armstrong)	5.50
XXXX "	5.25
Strong Bakers "	5.00
Graham, per 10 lbs	40
Wheat, per ton	35.00@40.00
Buckwheat, per 10 lbs	50
Oats, per ton	25.00@30.00
Barley, per ton	30.00@32.00
Middlings, per ton	22.00@25.00
Bran, per ton	17.00@18.00
Ground feed, per ton	25.00
" " California per ton	25.00@30.00
Corn, whole, per ton	26.00@28.00
" cracked, per ton	28.00@30.00
Cornmeal, per 10 lbs	35
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs	45@50
Rolled oats, per lb	4
Potatoes, per lb	1¼
" sweet, per lb	4
Cabbages, per lb	3@4
Hay, baled, per ton	13 00
Straw, per bale	50@75
Onions, per lb	5
Cheese, per lb	15@20
Eggs, Island, per doz	25@30
" imported, per doz	25
Butter, fresh, per lb	30
" Creamery, per lb	35
" Dairy, per lb	25
" Delta, per lb	35
" California, per sq	55
" " per roll	40
Honey (Chilliwack) per lb	25
Hams, American, per lb	16@18
" Canadian, "	16
" Boneless, "	15
" Glasgow beef, per lb	20
Bacon, American, per lb	16@18
" Rolled "	14@16
" Long clear "	10
" Canadian "	14@16
Shoulders, hams, per lb	12½
Lard, per lb	12½
Golden Cottolene, per lb	12½
MEATS—Beef, per lb	5@12½
Sides, per lb	7½@8
Veal "	10@15
Mutton, "	5@12½
" " carcase, per lb	9
Pork, fresh, per lb	9@12½
Turkeys, per lb	20@25
" " (Eastern)	15
Geese, per lb	15@20
Chickens, each	50@75
Pigeons, per brace	50@60
Duck, Mallard, per brace	75@1 00
FRUITS—	
Eastern apples, per lb	5
Lemons, California, per doz	25@35
Bananas, per doz	35
Cranberries, per lb	10@15
Oranges, Australian, per doz	40@50
" Navel, per doz	35@40
Japanese oranges, per box	40
FISH—Salmon, spring, per lb	10@12
Halibut, per lb	10@12
Rock Cod, per lb	8@10
Smoked Salmon, per lb	20
Herring, per lb	12@15
Kippered Herring, per lb	12½
Haddock, Finnan, per lb	12½
Bloaters, per lb	10
Eastern oysters, per tin	75

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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R. P. RITHET.

4th February, 1897. fe5

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver's Consular Service—Hispano-American Trading Co.—Suits Against the City.

Murder in the Lillooet District—Death of Mrs. Bodington—Mining Matters.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 17—The kingdom of the Netherlands will shortly establish a consulate in this city. The present consular list of Vancouver consists of the following: Chili, M. P. Morris; Japan, T. Nosse; Germany, Johann Wulffsohn; Peru, R. H. Alexander; France, M. Camille Jordan; and the great republic of Central America, M. P. Morris. The United States have a commercial agent in W. F. Peterson, and the following constitute the present vice-consul service of the city: Spain, H. A. Mellon; Hawaii, J. W. McFarland; Sweden and Norway, ad interim, Robt. Ward & Co. (Limited); Belgium, John Whitehead.

The Hispano-American Trading Company, limited, has just been incorporated here under a registered capital of $100,000. John McQuillan is the president, E. E. Rand, vice-president, and M. P. Morris, secretary of the company, which will endeavor to open out very extensive trade relations between Canada and Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, San Salvadore and Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Chili. To some of these the company's lumber shipments are made from Vancouver, but as a rule the vessels return in ballast. Mr. M. P. Morris, the secretary of the company, who is well acquainted with the conditions of the Central and Southern American trade and agriculture, states that there is a great opening for return trade between Spanish America and Canada notably in such products as coffee, cocoa, sugar, spices, choice hard woods, dye woods, fertilisers—in the way of nitrates—oranges, lemons, and many other tropical fruits. These products are all even now largely imported to Canada from Spanish America, but usually arrive via United States ports.

A collection will be taken at St. James' church on Sunday morning and evening towards the Indian famine fund. Other churches in the city are expected to do likewise either on the next or some following Sunday.

Charles Tetley, ex-city accountant, is suing the city for $750, which he alleges to be due as the balance of his salary reduced, as he contends, by an illegal resolution of the city council of 1895. Judgment in the case is reserved by Mr. Justice McColl. If Mr. Tetley should win his case, the city of Vancouver and not a few other municipalities will be open to similar claims from officials whose salaries have been reduced by majority votes of less than two-thirds. The claims thus involved in the case of Vancouver alone would approach $3,000.

The body of the unfortunate trainman named Edward Bearden, who was drowned in the Fraser last July as the result of a C.P.R. accident, was found at Agassiz on Monday, and brought into Vancouver and buried here to-day.

Mayor Templeton has been appointed chairman of the board of license commissioners, who held their regular monthly meeting on Monday. The chief business done was the grant of a hotel license to the Hotel Metropole, the fine building which has been vacant several years, but is now being opened under the management of Mr. H. Dempsey, of Nanaimo.

Tennant McFarlane, of Cape Town, South Africa, was married on January 26 to Miss L. Schofield, daughter of Fred. Schofield, of this town, at Cape Town.

The provincial police of the Lillooet district are investigating a case of murder, a Chinaman having been found in a ditch with his throat cut. Some think it a case of suicide, but the police are of opinion that there has been foul play and regard it as a likely outcome of one of the bloody feuds which arise amongst the heathen Chinese secret societies of the Pacific Coast.

Miss Rosa Lee Spencer, formerly of this city, where she was engaged in business as mining broker and insurance agent, has achieved note at Toronto by establishing herself there as the pioneer lady mining broker of Ontario.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 16. — There is widespread regret in the city and district at the death of Mrs. Bodington, wife of Dr. Bodington, medical superintendent of the provincial insane asylum. Mrs. Bodington is the fourth victim in the city of the scourge of grippe, which has afflicted quite a host of victims, most of whom have, however, happily recovered. Mrs. Bodington was born at Ufford, in Suffolk, and came to British Columbia with her husband about ten years since, first residing at Hatzic, but latterly in Westminster. She was a lady of distinguished scientific attainments and contributed occasional papers to the proceedings of various learned societies and to the pages of high class serials. The branches of study to which she devoted most of her attention were biology, psychology and botany. Mrs. Bodington leaves to mourn her loss, in addition to her well known husband, two children at home, a young son, Miss Winnie Bodington, two other sons engaged in business in England, a third a barrister in Paris, a fourth a physician in the Oriental service of the C.P.R., whilst two daughters, Mrs. Hamilton, wife of the C.P.R. land commissioner at Winnipeg, and Miss Bodington are living in Winnipeg. The funeral, which was largely attended, took place at St. Mary's church, Sapperton, and in the Church of England cemetery, this afternoon, Rev. A. Sheldrick officiating.

Messrs. T. J. Trapp, G. D. Brymner and Jas. A. Johnson have been appointed market commissioners for a year, and it is their intention to develop this institution in every possible way.

Many mineral claims are, despite the wintry weather, now being recorded at New Westminster. Twenty-seven claims were registered in the week ending on Tuesday. Of these two-thirds were in the Harrison Lake district. Forty-eight miners' licenses were issued in the same period.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Feb. 17.—Dr. Davis reports that Mrs. Zelle, who was seriously injured in the accident of Monday, is at the hospital and is doing as well as could be expected. Mrs. Zelle will probably pull through and two of the children injured are also doing fairly well.

H. L. Simmons, of Helena, Montana, who has been visiting Alberni mines, returned by Monday evening's stage and then left for Texada. Mr. Simmons was unable to visit much of Alberni, but he appeared satisfied with what he had seen.

Messrs. John Collishaw and William Neive left for the Nanaimo lakes with five pack horses to develop claims owned by them in that district.

The Midas claim was recorded from Texada Island by Annie E. Forbes on Tuesday.

KASLO.

(From the Kootenaian.)

The bond which Daniel Simpson contemplated on certain Spring creek properties did not materalize. After a tour of the Slocan, however, Mr. Simpson reported that he had secured an option on certain properties. The first of these consisted of the California and Clipper, located near New Denver and belonging to Marino Van Dusen and Marks. The consideration for these properties is $60,000, with a cash payment of 10 per cent. The second deal made by Mr. Simpson was a bond on the Calumet and Hecla, belonging to Tom Mulvey and William Clements, of Slocan City. These properties are situated at the head of Dayton creek. The consideration is $30,000 with a cash payments of $1,500.

The steamer Kaslo, which has been towing on the lake, will now be laid up at Pilot Bay, where the rest of the property of the Kootenay Mining & Smelting Company is lying idle. There is a rumor that work may be resumed in the spring.

Manager Patrick of the Montezuma mine, on the south fork of Kaslo creek, began rawhiding ore on Monday last, and will soon make a shipment. He has been waiting for some time for more snow. Failing this he will use the old trail.

NELSON.

[From the Nelson Miner.]

It has been learned that Mr. Perry, who is making the location survey for the Crow's Nest Pass railway for the C. P. R., has completed his work from the mouth of Kootenay lake northward to Gultus creek, about half the distance to the point opposite Balfour.

The total exports of ore for the week, as shown through the customs returns, amounted to 780 tons, valued at $81,107.30, an average value of $103.98 per ton. The shipments of matte were 202¾ tons, valued at $69,872.75. The total ualue of ore and matte shipped was $150,980.05.

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rossland Miner.)

The Great Western company has made arrangements to resume work on a large scale. All but a small portion of the stock is held by four men—J. B. Jones and C. E. Barr, of Spokane, and General Charles S. Warren and John M. Burke, of Rossland. Although the treasury was long since exhausted and work had consequently to be suspended, they have now, from their own resources, raised a new fund for development and the mine will be opened on a scale commensurate with its importance.

Lee and Anderson returned from a two weeks' trip to Boundary creek on Friday and brought a number of samples of ore. They reported that the Mother Lode is cross-cutting a vein of 22 feet which assays $26 in gold and copper. The camp, they say, was looking well and prosperous. They have sold some lots in Greenwood since their return.

The option held by James F. Wardner on the Monita is almost certain to be taken up. It runs tills March 1, and if the property continues to develop till then as it has been doing of late, Mr. Wardner ought to be able to turn it at a profit of $50,000 before the bond falls due.

Victor Carr brought in two sacks of ore from the Norway mine which contained a large number of handsome specimens, some of them showing free gold.

At the Annie E., on Deer Park mountain, a strike was made yesterday of a two-foot vein, 40 feet down the shaft. The Annie E. has seven men doing development work, and they are working night and day shifts.

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It will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the report that the Company has not been incorporated on a mere "prospect," but that it has a valuable and proven property. It may also be mentioned that other assays obtained from the quartz of the Athabasca, in addition to that referred to above, have given $96 00 $294.00, $360.00, $146.00, $9,800, and $17,760 to the ton.

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Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	8:00	3:20
Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:38
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

GOING SOUTH.	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
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TO BEAUTIFY VICTORIA.

Whatever may be the future of Victoria as a commercial or manufacturing centre, there is no room for doubt that it will become a residential city of great importance. In the mountains of British Columbia, in its forests, in its fisheries and in its farming and pasture lands is locked up, awaiting the magic touch of enterprise, wealth beyond the powers of present estimate. Without desiring to depreciate the attractions of Mainland points as homes for people of means, such as will most certainly form a conspicuous element of the population of the Province in the future, we may say with confidence that in respect to its surroundings and in view of its genial climate, Victoria stands easily first among all places on the Pacific coast, north of California, and possibly some may take exception to this qualification. Not within a radius of a thousand miles are such delightful drives to be found as in this vicinity. In respect to scenery, our city compares favorably with any other in this region, where nature has been so prodigal of the sublime and beautiful. In healthfulness it ranks among the first. Indeed, it is difficult to suggest a feature in which this City on the Strait will lose by comparison with any other, when regarded as a place for a home.

These considerations ought to be kept in mind, and it would be wise for the city authorities and the citizens themselves to unite in carrying out a line of policy that will advance so desirable a consummation. The site of Victoria is all that can be desired. What ought to be done now is to make the city itself beautiful. The whole burden of this ought not to rest upon the municipal corporation; householders should do their share, whether they own the houses they live in or not. It is impossible to cover in a single article all the points worthy of mention in this connection, and reference will be made to-day only to the streets.

We will depart a little from the ordinary style of criticism of our streets by saying that they are really not so bad as many people represent. They sadly need renovation in the business part of the city, but out in the residential portion they are in such shape that a very moderate outlay would make them presentable. There is a good deal of rubbish and loose stones scattered over them, but it would not cost much to gather these up, and the difference that would thereby be made in the appearance of the streets would be very great. It is for the city to clean the streets, but after that has been done it is for the householders to see that they are kept tidy. When a householder has wood sawed before his residence he should see that the place is thoroughly cleaned up. If he does not do so the police ought to report the matter to the street department, and the work should be done at the householder's expense. The public streets are not proper places for the deposit of empty oil cans or old newspapers, though some people appear to think so. People who are careless in this respect ought to be reminded that the public is apt to form its opinion of the residents of a house from the general condition of the sidewalk and gutter in front of it—a mistake, perhaps; but when one passes a house and notes that the sidewalk in front of it is tidily kept, he is apt to conclude that the people who live there have claims to consideration.

One other matter may be mentioned, that of shade trees. Victoria is lacking in these. Take Yates street for example. This is a splendid street, wide and with just enough variety in its surface to make it highly attractive. There is nearly a mile of this street without a shade tree. The same observation applies to other streets. How best to get the necessary trees planted on such streets is a matter of consideration. The retiring governor of an Eastern province offered to set out the chief streets of the capital city with trees, but the city council, being at outs with him over a question of taxation, refused to permit him to do so and thereby perpetuate his name in the memory of the citizens. When later a retiring mayor offered to set out a double row of shade trees a mile long not only was his offer accepted but the name of the street was changed in his honor. We fancy that if any public spirited citizen of Victoria, and he need not be a governor or mayor, should offer to set out a mile or so of shade trees on any selected street, the city council would meet him in a responsive spirit. Property owners along a street might form combinations and set out a block or two with trees. If this example were set in any part of the city it would be emulated in others. Residence streets adorned with shade trees, with the sidewalks in repair and the carriage way and gutters kept clear of rubbish give an air of home life and comfort to a city that is worth money to property owners.

THE PRESS AND PATRONAGE.

The Vancouver World is abundantly able to take care of itself in the matter of the tax sale advertisement. The World shows that the rate was 35 cents a line, which is not an unreasonable charge. Some of the members who spoke on the subject thought that, as the amount was large, the government should have driven a closer bargain. We do not believe that the people of British Columbia want newspapers to work for them for less than what would be a fair price in an ordinary commercial transaction. They do not expect it when it comes to buying coal, cordwood, or stationery and we see no reason why they should do so when it comes to buying advertising space. The leader of the Opposition was one of the gentlemen who thought the charge excessive. Are we to understand that in the improbable event of that gentleman's becoming premier, he will require the papers supporting him to work at less than commercial rates? His possible "organs" would probably like to be informed on this point. We think perhaps he would not, for he said that he supposed it was necessary for the government to pay their organs something for their support. It would be interesting to know where Mr. Semlin obtained his information on this point. It is about time that this practice of insinuating that the support which governments receive from newspapers is paid for was stopped. It is not confined to this Province by any means, and has had a sort of sanction from a lot of cheap people in the newspaper profession, who were content to be regarded as the paid lackeys of those in authority. We do not believe that any self-respecting newspaper is influenced in the slightest degree by the matter of patronage, but we cannot help it if some newspaper people think otherwise. There is no more worthy or responsible profession in the world than that of journalism, and it is high time that those people who think a newspaper a fit object for their sneers, and who feel at liberty to question its motives, were given to understand that they are slandering an honorable profession and were held responsible for it before the bar of public opinion.

WHY should the city council hold star chamber sessions? There is nothing which the council has to do which is not the business of the taxpayers. Throw open the doors, gentlemen. To keep them closed is open to the further objection that what is done is never in point of fact kept secret, so it is better to permit the press reporters to tell just what does take place.

WHEN Uncle Sam's legislators read what Mr. Lansing has said about the Behring Sea award they will probably wish they had not been so anxious to have the claims passed on by a legal tribunal and had voted the lump sum suggested by the Arbitrators in the first place, which is about half what they will probably have to pay.

THE Moosomin Spectator says the people in its vicinity "would rather do without the trade of Kootenay till the crack of doom" than see the Crow's Nest Pass railway built by the C.P.R.

THE United States has had a rude awakening over the condition of the navy on which the people have prided themselves so much. Its first experience at sea has shown it to be unfit for serious work.

THE Nelson Miner asks why, if the COLONIST regard the $5 tax on laborers in mines is unjust, it does not advocate its repeal. What more can be said?

THE Kootenaian very justly says that it does not lie in the mouth of the Spokane papers to lecture Canadian legislatures upon their duties to aliens.

CECIL RHODES is acting very much like a man who not only holds a good hand himself, but knows to a dot what the hand of the other fellow is.

IF the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railways are all seeking to get into Kootenay, how would it do to make them pay for the privilege and use the money to subsidize a line to the Coast.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

PRAISE FOR MR. CARLYLE.

The government has been fortunate in its choice of a mineralogist for its mining bureau, and it should by all means and methods make the best possible use of his effective labor.—The Kootenaian.

KOOTENAY AND THE GOVERNMENT.

Our most important towns are being incorporated by special act; railway construction will be liberally assisted and the development of the mines made the subject of legislation. West Kootenay is certain to progress more rapidly than ever.

THE COMPANIES ACT.

The proposed new act handed down by Attorney-General Eberts is one of more than ordinary importance. It seems to get rather "close" to those men who may have a desire for unprincipled promoting of alleged enterprises, such as railway or mines.—Nanaimo Mail.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"Yes," mused the returned Arctic explorer, "at one time we came within one of freezing to death. Luckily, however——"

He gazed reflectively at the ceiling.

"——We had the presence of mind to fall into a heated discussion. Yes."

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"Then," said Mr. Watts, describing the church entertainment to his wife, who had been too ill to go, "the Jones girls got up and sang a solo——"

"A solo?" asked Mrs. Watts. "How could two persons sing a solo?"

"Why," said Mr. Watts, who would not acknowledge his mistake, "why—er—they had only half a voice apiece."

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

So far as the discussion went on Mr. Adam's resolution asking the Dominion Government to impose an export duty on ore, the opinion of the majority of the house seemed to be against it. The mover took the course of withdrawing the resolution instead of pressing it to a vote, which seems to have been the wiser course, for in spite of what some members think, the question is not one that ought to be disposed of hastily. The premier's point, that it is inadvisable to ask the Dominion Government to impose a tax on property in the Province, was well taken; but this only goes to the manner of getting at the object sought by the resolution and not to the expediency of taking some action. Col. Baker's objection that it would be a disadvantage to mine owners if they were not allowed to export their ores goes to the root of the question. In the discussion of a matter of this kind it is desirable that those who advocate such a radical change as was aimed at by the resolution, should be prepared to back up their views with exhaustive information. The resolution was withdrawn, but it would be a good idea to bring the question of domestic smelters up later in the session for fuller discussion.

Col. Baker's point is of quite as great importance as Mr. Adams' resolution. He took the ground that an export tax would retard the development of the mining country and discourage investment in it. If such a law were enacted the owners of smelters in the Province would be able to combine and put up the price charged for smelting. He believed that it was greatly in the interest of the owners of mines of low grade ore that foreign smelters should be allowed to compete for it. Col. Baker recognized that Mr. Adams sought to attain a praiseworthy object by his resolution, but believed that when he had given the subject further consideration he would see the fallacy of the proposal embraced in the resolution. Mr. Adams sought to increase the number of wage earners in the Province, but Mr. Baker suggested that by reason of the shutting down of the low grade mines more men might be discharged than any additional smelters would employ.

Mr. Kennedy wants the house to maintain its dignity on all occasions and would like to see the utmost courtesy extended by the house to Mr. Speaker. There is not much to complain of in this respect, but it is just as well to check any disposition to relax those unwritten rules of order, the observance of which add to the sense of responsibility of members.

Dr. Walkem's resolution declaring that a mortgage tax bears unequally upon different classes of society was withdrawn by him in order to change its form. As it stood it looked very much like a theme proposed for a debating society and not like a question to be considered by a legislative body.

Mr. Speaker followed the same line as we suggested in these notes in regard to Mr. Macphereon's resolution, and held that it was out of order. He pointed out that the resolution was equivalent to an amendment to the land law, and consequently could not be entertained. Mr. Macpherson may, however, if he wishes, bring up the matter in another way.

Mr. Mutter had a question of privilege yesterday.

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HERR ADOLPH FREIMUTH, in violin solos, is the "extra" for next Saturday evening's concert at the Drill hall.

THERE was no meeting of the local branch S.P.C.A. yesterday, but one is to be called within the next few days.

MRS. R. B. RICHARDSON, a well known resident of Victoria West, passed away yesterday at the family residence on Jessie street, in her 72nd year. The funeral is arranged to take place tomorrow.

THE Salvation Army's big phonograph will again be on exhibition this evening, when an entertainment, of which a lecture by Major Freidrich will be a feature, is to be given at the barracks on Pandora street.

AFTER a long and successful business career Mr. Lewis Lewis has retired to enjoy a well earned rest from active pursuits. His entire stock has been purchased by George Powell & Co., who are disposing of the various lines at sweeping reductions.

IN response to invitation the Victoria Chess club has arranged to send a deputation of its strongest players to contend with those representing the R.E. church this evening. One of the leading players of the city will give a simultaneous exhibition of twelve games, which will undoubtedly prove of great interest to all attending the conversazione.

THE mining districts on the coast of the province are gradually attracting their share of attention and Victorians are not allowing their chances of getting in on the ground floor to go by. The latest company was organized yesterday and is named the "Texada Silver Hill Mining Co.," with a capital of $1,000,009. The property is on Texada island.

THOSE who doubt for a moment that the advertising columns of a live daily paper are widely read should experiment with a "want" in the COLONIST. Yesterday a Victoria business firm in need of additional clerical assistance announced the fact in a modest two-liner. Before evening 33 replies had been received—incontrovertible testimony to the fact that advertisements are not passed by unread, as some people are over fond of asserting, although not even they believe it.

THE newly organized Victoria Hockey Club yesterday completed arrangements for the use during the season of Oak Bay recreation park, and yesterday the work of putting the grounds in shape commenced. They will be ready for use next week in all probability, and in the meantime an indoor match at the drill hall, is talked of. The ladies as well as the gentlemen are taking very kindly to the popular game, and the latest addition to the list of new clubs is a ladies' association at Esquimalt.

A COURSE of ambulance lectures conducted by Mr. John Brandon, teacher of Sooke school, was inaugurated on Wednesday evening last, the attendance being large and great interest being manifested. Besides dealing with the structure of the human bony, practical lessons will be given on the setting of fractured bones, the stoppage of hemorrhage from cuts, treatment of burns, etc., and the proper means to employ in the resuscitation of the apparently drowned. The want of at least a rudimentary knowledge of the subjects to be dealt with in this course of lectures has long been felt in this, and no doubt other rural districts, where accidents may so readily happen while hunting, felling timber, clearing land or in many other occupations incidental to the life of a rancher, and where professional medical skill is not at hand. It is to be hoped that ere long other districts will see the advisability of taking a like step.

EVERYTHING new, fresh and up-to-date in the candy line. Chicago taffy, and chocolates with burnt almonds the latest. Lawrence, the confectioner. x

Buy air-tight heaters at Cheapside. x

MERCHANTS short order; table d'hote luncheon, same as served by Fritz Cartie in his world-famed London restaurant. 40 cents. Lawrence's cafe. x

THE funeral of Frederick, the infant son of Joshua and Annie Holland, took place yesterday from the family residence on Kings road. Rev. Mr. Jenns officiated.

THE choirs of the First Presbyterian and First Congregational churches are uniting to give a grand concert on the evening of Easter Monday. One or two old-fashioned anthems will be presented, besides carols, solos, etc. The chorus will number about 45 voices.

SEVERAL of the friends of Frank La Rochelle, who has been missing since Wednesday last, just one week yesterday, will make an effort to prove the truth or falsity of the drowning theory by dragging for the body to-day in the neighborhood of the city landing.

SUBSCRIPTIONS towards the national Indian famine fund have been very limited in recent days. Yesterday's consisted of $5 given by C. D. Mason; $1 by Sympathy; $5 by J.K.W.; $1 by a friend; $2.50 by W.M.; 50 cents by a friend; $2 by G.C.; and $2 by a friend.

L. K. COGSWELL, the red polled cattle breeder of Chehalis, Washington, will be in Victoria the latter part of February with a couple of lots of breeding cattle for customers on the E. & N. Railway. Parties here desiring to purchase breeding stock or dairy cows should leave word at the transfer stables, or with Dr. Blanchard.

A "CREPE and tissue paper social" is the latest novelty announced in the way of local entertainments. The arrangements are in the hands of the members of the Young Ladies' Institute, and A.O.U.W. hall will witness the festivities on the evening of March 1. Of course there will be a finale in the form of a dance, and for this Wolff's orchestra will provide the music.

COMMANDER Pritchard, of the British naval expedition now advancing upon Benin, who was killed in the fighting at Sapelo as announced in the COLONIST'S despatches yesterday, will be well remembered by many residents of Victoria and Esquimalt. He served on this station from 1887 to 1891 as navigating officer of H. M. S. Espiegle, and it is only about four months since his wife passed through Victoria en route to Hawaii, where she is now visiting friends. The news of her bereavement will not reach her until the calling of the next San Francisco steamer at the Hawaiian capital.

ANOTHER of those popular entertainments known as drawingroom conversaziones will be held in the R.E. schoolroom this evening, when the ladies of the church will give a hearty welcome to all attending, and do their utmost, as usual, to provide a bright and social evening's amusement. One of the chief attractions will be the chess tournament, open to all comers, commencing at 8 o'clock. The musical programme at 8:30 o'clock will be as follows; Pianoforte solo; vocal solo, Mr. Howard B. Eccles; instrumental duet (piano and flute), Prof. Eurick and Mr. Morse; vocal solo, Mrs. D. Harris; piano solo, Miss Christie; vocal solo, Mrs. Laundy; vocal solo, Mrs. Rickaby; and piano and flute duet, Mr. Morse and Prof. Eurick.

RESIDENTS of Victoria learned yesterday morning that, if the theory of the police be verified by later developments, the game of poker has been introduced in Victoria—if, in fact, it has not already gained a foothold. Several days ago through the vigilance of the police it was discovered that at least there was reasonable ground to suspect that a game of some kind, played with cards, was in progress in the rear of Pouldio's cigar store, in which numerous colored checks were used, known as "chips" and red, white and blue, according to nominal varying values. This to a good detective was a clue to the nature of the case and with so slender a piece of evidence to start with Sergeant Hawton and Detectives Perdue and Palmer succeeded in developing their case sufficiently to justify them in summoning Pouldio, who appeared in the police court yesterday. The case was continued until this morning, when the police will, it is expected, be ready to proceed. The Attorney-General's department was not represented at the hearing yesterday.

Irish point lace curtains and Brussels and Swiss embroidered curtains opened at The White House—nothing newer or more handsome in design than these.

Bass' XXXX on draught at the Occidental x

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Things are looking remarkably lively at Rossland, according to Mr. Ebor Smith, who with Mrs. Smith arrived from that bustling town last night. Mr. Smith is proprietor of the Rossland Record and is taking a little holiday and business trip combined.

"There is a hundred people a day coming into Rossland now," remarked Mr. Smith last night, "and fully half of them remain, so you may easily see how fast the town is growing."

In anticipation of the incorporation of Rossland there is already considerable speculation as to who will have the honor of being the first mayor of the town. Several prominent residents are spoken of as likely candidates, among them Col. Scott, Dr. Bowes and C. O. Lalome. The first two gentlemen were on the committee to look after the incorporation bill and Mr. Lalome is a merchant at Rossland.

George B. Macaulay, of Spokane, secretary of the famous Cariboo mine, of Camp McKinney, has been in town for the past few days—just for a trip, as he put it. The true inwardness of that genial gentleman's present visit to Victoria leaked out yesterday, though of course it is a dead secret.

"I'll tell you how it is," he said. "You see there are such a lot of private bills in for water power that I thought I would get in my fine work ahead of the rest. So I am going to apply for a few air sites above Rossland, with the right to supply power to the air compressors at the mines."

J. D. Marsden, who is largely interested in Slocan country mines, is of opinion that a safeguard in the floating of mining companies might be secured by having a mining inspector, who should examine the property to see that the statements as to the property in the prospectus are correct, and also by holding the directors responsible for the correctness of the information given the public. Mr. Marsden has great faith in the Slocan.

J. W. Hanna, mining editor of the Post-Intelligencer, was in the city yesterday and went over to Vancouver last night. He is engaged in compiling matter for the publication on the mines of the northwest, which the Post-Intelligencer is soon to issue. This will be a very useful and valuable work. It will contain no paid write-ups.

Mr. Scott Wellman, a practical and experienced prospector, who has been exploring the country 18 miles or more above Goldstream, returned to Victoria yesterday and is at the Occidental. His operations during the past few weeks have been confined to the country round about Wolff lake, and he brings home with him numerous samples of good quartz that appears to be free milling. Tests of its quality are to be made at once.

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The first number, "The Wild Rose," by Franz Abt, was rendered exquisitely. The shading of tone was admirable and the precision with which all the voices attacked the notes reflected the greatest credit upon the conductor, Mr. William Greig. The second number was a glee by T. F. Walmesley, and the third a chorus, "The Beleaguered" by A. S. Sullivan. These fully bore out the promise of the opening chorus. The trio for violin 'cello and piano by Messrs. R. Nash, K. J. Middleton and E. H. Russell respectively, gave great pleasure.

The "Farewell of Hiawatha" with baritone solo by Mr. H. Kent was admirably rendered, as was also an "Ave Maria" (Abt), in which the solo for tenor was taken by Mr. E. H. Russell. The chorus "On the Sea" by Dudley Buck was in some respects the gem of the evening. Probably it was the most tastefully rendered of all the choruses. "The Bugle Song," a chorus with an instrumental accompaniment by two violins by Mr. R. Nash and Miss Young, the viola by Mr. R. B. Young, the 'cello by Mr. A. Scroggs, the flute by Mr. H. Kent, the reed organ by Mr. George Pauline and the piano by Mr. E. H. Russell, was an ambitious attempt, but was wholly a success.

This was followed by an instrumental quartette by Miss Young violin, Mr. R. Nash viola, Mr. A. Scroggs 'cello, and Mr. E. H. Russell piano; Mr. G. W. Booth's solo in the Carnival Song by Dr. Arne was very well rendered, and the closing number was the Pilgrims' Chorus from Tannhauser, with piano and string accompaniment, a fitting finale for a very delightful entertainment. Nearly every number was encored, the responses being in each case a repetition of the number.

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A Veteran Who First Saw Service Under Wellington Laid to Rest Yesterday.

Old Francis Cregan, over whose head the century all but one year had passed ere he paid the debt of nature, was buried from the home of which he had for several years past been an inmate, yesterday morning, mass being said by Rev. Father Nicolaye at St. Andrew's cathedral, and the interment being at Ross Bay cemetery. Few indeed of the friends of the old veteran attended at his interment, save and except the other members of the home, who attended in a body—no one is left to recall his first experiences in this new land, of which he was one of the very earliest pioneers.

Cregan took the Queen's shilling at a time when all Europe looked to Britain for relief from the domination of the returned Napoleon, enlisting as a drummer boy three days after Waterloo was fought and won. His regiment, the 52nd Light Infantry, was one of the hard worked and highly honored brigades during this memorable campaign, and when his term having expired, Cregan became a sailor, he never wearied of relating the camp fire stories redounding to the credit of the corps.

It was as Governor Douglas' body body servant that Cregan came to British Columbia, according to his own statement, and he recalled in later years how Victoria at that time consisted of three humble huts, with the old fort in process of erection as an evidence of gratifying and conspicuous growth on the part of the new colony. He spent years in the strong governor's service, and afterwards visited many parts of the province, when, with all other residents of that day, the mining fever compelled him to desert the centres of civilization and engage in the eager search for the yellow dust on the Fraser, and afterwards in Cariboo.

Cregan's reminiscences as related in recent years were necessarily second-hand, the century that had whitened his hair and withered his once stalwart frame having also sent his mind adrift. He passed away when existence had become to him little more than a waiting for the rest which in his case was so long delayed.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 17.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 p.m. Prayers by Rev. S. Cleaver.

Mr. McGregor presented a petition from A. Haslam, Jos. H. Davidson, R. S. McKechnie, T. W. Glaholm, John Mahrer, W. K. Leighton, Wm. McGregor, A. E. Planta and Thos. Kitchen for a private bill to incorporate the Nanaimo-Alberni railway, with a capital stock of $1,000,000.

Mr. Hume presented a petition from Geo. Alexander, W. P. Dickson and H. B. Alexander for a private bill to incorporate the Kaslo Electric Light Co., to operate within the city of Kaslo and within a radius of 30 miles.

Mr. Hume presented a petition from Geo. Turner and others for a private bill to incorporate a company to supply electric light and power to Trail and Rossland.

The following petitions were read and received:

By Mr. Hume, from J. A. Mara and others, for a private bill to incorporate "The Lardeau Railway Co."

By Mr. Semlin, from "The Thompson River Hydraulic Mining Co.," for a private bill to consolidate their mining leases and properties.

By Mr. Hume, from Wm. H. Brandon and others, for a private bill to incorporate "The Brandon Water and Light Co."

By Mr. Rogers, from "The Lillooet, Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields, Limited," for a private bill to amend their corporate act.

By Mr. Irving, from Warburton Pike, for a private bill to incorporate a company (re railway, Stickeen river to Dease creek).

Mr. Booth presented the second report from the standing committee on private bills and standing orders, as follows:

That the standing orders in reference to the following petitions have been complied with:

No. 6. Petition of Revelstoke Waterworks, Electric Light and Power Co., Ltd.

No. 7. Petition of Revelstoke, Trout Lake and Big Bend Telephone Co., Ltd.

No. 15. Petition of Trail Water Supply Co., Ltd.

The report was received.

Dr. Walkem, having received permission, asked the member for the North Riding of West Kootenay if a report was true that had appeared in an up-country paper to the effect that he was an applicant for the position of gold commissioner for West Kootenay.

Mr. Kellie denied having ever applied for the position of gold commissioner, and wanted it understood that the only government position he aspired to was that of Premier of the Province (laughter). The reporter of the Rossland Miner, the paper in which the statement had appeared, should put a poultice on his head to take out some of the inflammation caused by his too vivid imagination and then he would not have to be so often correcting misstatements made.

The Premier wished to corroborate Mr. Kellie's denial. Mr. Kellie had never been an aspirant for the position of gold commissioner, nor, for that matter, had he mentioned his aspirations to the other position. (Laughter.)

Major Mutter rose to a question of privilege regarding an editorial in the Times which, he said, accused him of putting up a job with the Chief Commissioner for the expenditure of money in connection with the dam on the Cowichan river. Major Mutter strongly denied the insinuation, and read the correspondence to show that at the request of his constituents he had, as was his duty, drawn attention to the large amount of valuable land that had been destroyed and the danger threatened to road and bridges by the high water, causing a branch of the Cowichan to be formed.

The house went into committee to consider the message of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, transmitting "An act to specifically correct an ambiguity in the British Columbia Southern 'Railway Aid Act, 1894.'"

The committee rose and reported, and the bill was read a first time and set down for second reading to-day.

Mr. Adams moved, seconded by Capt. Irving—Whereas there are large quantities of ore sent out of the province for the purpose of being smelted and reduced, and whereas the reduction of such ore in the province would give employment to a large number of workmen and would help business generally. Therefore, be it resolved, that a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor requesting him to press upon the Dominion government the desirability of placing an export duty on all ores going out of the country, such export duty to take effect two years from the date of this resolution.

Mr. Adams, in speaking to his resolution, said that if the ore taken out from the provincial mines was reduced here it would be of great benefit. He pointed out that some years ago when the United States placed a duty on silver-lead ores exported from Mexico to the United States instead of injuring Mexico was a benefit to that country, for as a consequence the smelting industry was built up in Mexico to treat the ores that formerly were exported raw. He believed that an export duty on raw ore in British Columbia would have exactly the same effect here.

Hon. Mr. Baker was very sorry to differ from Mr. Adams, for while he agreed that it would be of great benefit to the smelting industry, yet at present the mining owner had a large market to which to send his ores and a duty on the ore would shut out all competition. Provincial smelters in the absence of such competition would form a ring that would force the mine owners to sell their minerals at any price the smelters chose to fix.

Captain Irving supported the resolution, saying that it would stop such a thing as the proposed building of a smelter at Northport, just outside the British Columbia line, to which it was intended to export British Columbia ores. In British Columbia there was coke and everything required for smelting, and he believed that the smelting should be done in this country.

Mr. Sword said this was one of the matters that could only be dealt with by the Dominion government. He agreed with the Provincial Secretary's remarks, and in reply to Mr. Adams' allusion to Mexico said that the United States, he thought, were very likely to put a tax on lead ores going there from British Columbia, so that British Columbia would then be in the same position as Mexico in that respect.

Hon. Mr. Turner thought the matter required a great deal of consideration before the Dominion were asked to tax the province more than at present. He was afraid that the resolution might have the effect of injuring the mining industry, for it was very important that the cost of smelting should be as low as possible. He did not believe in asking the Dominion to place a tax on the property of the province that was one of the provincial sources of revenue. He would be glad if Mr. Adams would leave the resolution over.

Mr. Foster was of opinion that the resolution would have the effect of stopping the development of mining districts that were just opening up and would result, too, in closing down the low grade mines in the province.

Mr. Semlin said that the resolution was undoubtedly presented with the desire of preserving the interests of the country, but while he sympathized with the motives of the mover and seconder members must guard against the danger of shutting down the mines, and he advised that the resolution be withdrawn for the present.

Mr. Kellie believed that British Columbia was entitled to all the benefits to be derived from the ores she produced. He did not think that at present it was necessary to put an export duty on ores, for more communication and cheaper rates were needed before many smelters could be built in the province. As soon as we got better communication and cheaper coke then the province would be in a position to put on such a duty if it was deemed necessary.

Mr. Macpherson could not see that any argument could be brought to show that the mine owners could make more out of their ore by the putting on of an export duty, therefore he would not support the resolution. He was of opinion, indeed, that the contrary would be the result and mining development be hindered.

Mr. Rogers would much rather see a bonus given for smelting in the country than an export duty put on ore.

Mr. Adams, in view of the opposition expressed, withdrew his resolution by permission of the house.

Mr. Kidd moved, seconded by Mr. Cotton, for a return showing how many of the settlers on what are known as the Burnaby Small Holdings have complied with the conditions on which they were allowed to enter upon the lands; also for any reports and correspondence relating to these settlers and their holdings which the government has in its possession.

Mr. Kidd understood that some of the settlers were pressed for payment by the government, and he wanted to find out the circumstances.

Hon. Mr. Martin in reply stated that the government had asked the settlers for payment, but owing to the unfortunate circumstances of some of the settlers the government had been very lenient and had not enforced payment. There was no objection to the return, but the correspondence was voluminous and would take several days to prepare. The hon. gentleman could see all the correspondence of the department of Lands and Works.

Mr. Cotton stated that the idea was not so much to obtain the correspondence as to find out the actual condition of the settlers as made in the reports by the government's own officials.

Mr. Graham, while not blaming the government for endeavoring to get the payment of arrears due for land, suggested that the interest at 6 per cent. charged on the overdue payments should be struck off.

Mr. Booth in reply to this said Mr. Graham's suggestion would be in effect to give the land free, and that would not be fair to people who had paid for their lands.

Mr. Kennedy was anxious to have the returns brought down.

Hon. Mr. Martin said he had not the least objection to the return being brought down, but, as he said before, it would take several days to prepare it.

Mr. Sword, in amendment to the resolution, moved to strike out the words "or correspondence," and the resolution as amended was passed.

Mr. Cotton moved for a return showing: 1—The number of certificates of title which have been issued in the several land registry offices since the land registry act came into force. 2—The number of certificates of indefeasible title which have been issued at the same offices during the same period.

Carried.

Mr. Huff asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works what steps were taken in respect to a motion of this house passed on the 27th February, 1896, with regard to the protection of the banks of the Cowichan river; and what action was taken by the Dominion government with respect thereto.

Hon. Mr. Martin replied that the resolution of the 27th of February, 1896, with reference to the protection of the banks of the Cowichan river, was in due course transmitted to the Dominion government and acknowledged by the secretary of state on the 25th of March following, since when no further communication in respect of the said matter has been received by this government.

Mr. Kennedy asked the chief commissioner of lands and works: Why was the Log Scaling Act of 1894 rescinded during the recess? By what authority was this done?

Hon. Mr. Martin replied: 1. "Because the act proved to be practically inoperative by reason of the refusal of loggers and mill owners to employ the official scalers, the fees collected by these scalers for the year ending 30th June last being only $265.43, as against $2,742 paid them as salaries, and also for the further reason that provision for the payment of scalers salaries after 30th June last have not been made by the legislature. 2. "By authority of section 22 of the said act."

In regard to the point of order raised on Mr. Macpherson's motion of the previous day directing government to stop the sale of lands for fishing station sites, Mr. Speaker gave the following ruling:

"The motion of the hon. second member for Vancouver (Mr. Macpherson) asks the house to definitely instruct the government with respect to the operation of the Land Act, in so far as the provisions of that act deal with lands upon the sea coast and upon navigable rivers, etc., available for fishing stations. The motion is important and sweeping in scope and character, and if passed by the house must be accepted by the government as an imperative instruction. Had the matter come before the house in the form of a bill it would be out of order as attacking the prerogative of the crown both upon the power to deal with crown lands and to initiate legislation for the administration of the law besides, and I am of opinion that in its present form being modulating in its expression and intent, the resolution would have all the effects of a bill, since its passage would compel the Government to bring down an amendment to the Land Act or adopt the only alternative open to them (see Speaker's decisions, pp. 74, 75, 77, 126, 138 and p. 36, journals of this house, 1887). I rule the resolution out of order in its present form.

The Provincial Secretary presented returns of all expenses in connection with the recent mission of the Provincial Secretary to Ottawa. These expenses as shown by the items are $204. Also the correspondence with the Dominion Government re the removal of Indians from the Songhees reserve.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Major Mutter on Friday next—For a return of all papers, correspondence and reports in connection with the construction of a bridge over the Thompson river at Kamloops.

By Dr. Walkem—That in the opinion of this House a tax upon mortgages is one which bears unduly upon different members of a community.

MUNICIPAL CLAUSES ACT, 1896.

TO THE EDITOR:—There are two sections in this act to which I beg to direct your attention and that of the lawmakers, with a view to their amendment.

Section 13, sub-sec. 6, disqualifies all persons for nomination as aldermen who are not the registered owners of real property in the city of Victoria of the assessed value of $500 or more, over and above any registered incumbrance, etc. This does not seem unreasonable on the face of it, but a large number of persons, eminently qualified to assist at the city councils, rent stores in the city and live away in their own houses, and a great many of these have raised money to invest in their business during the late busy times to a larger percentage of the value of their property than that at which they are assessed. Now it sounds all very well to be under-assessed, but it is most unreasonable that this combination of mortgage and low assessment should disqualify persons, otherwise eminently fitted for the position, from giving the benefit of their judgment and counsel to the city. It is exasperating to them to find that their energetic striving for business debars them from an honorable position amongst their fellow citizens. I would suggest that all the words after $500 should be struck out. This would retain the qualification which does exist and remove the disqualification which is due to under assessment.

Section 69 provides that no by-law for raising money upon the credit of the city not repayable within the municipal year shall be introduced by the council, except on a petition signed by the owners of at least one-tenth of the value of the real property in the city, as shown on the last assessment roll.

Now, the council is the elected legislative body of the municipality, and from their collective wisdom all legislation tending to the improvement or development of the city should emanate. This clause, however shifts the onus, the very inception of legislation, for improvements upon the owners of real estate. Now it also happens that a large proportion of the owners of real estate are non-resident and I question whether any such proposal as the paving of the streets or any other public improvement could be advanced successfully under such adverse circumstances. Section 79 requires the assent of at least a three-fifths majority of the vote polled before such a by-law shall become valid and this surely should be enough. I would suggest, therefore, the repeal of section 76 as purely vexatious; sections 68 and 70 meets the case entirely.

THOMAS C. SORBY.

Victoria, February 17.

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SISTERS OF CHARITY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The golden jubilee of mother Mary Xavier, known to the world as Catharine Mehegan, head of the order of the Sisters of Charity, of the Catholic church, was begun this morning in St. Elizabeth's Academy, the home of the order at Convent Station, N. J. It is the first time in the history of the order that all the sisters, numbering about 700, have been summoned to this home at the same time. Mother Mary Xavier was born in Cork, Ireland, 72 years ago. She was one of the first three sisters to take the vows of the order.

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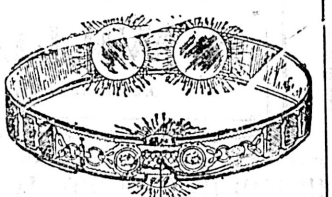

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SARAH JENSEN,
Executrix of the Estate of the late Victor Jensen.

January 29th, 1897. ja30

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Oh, the five o'clock chime brings the cosiest time
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And pile the wood higher and higher.
And we make her a space in the very best place—
And mother sits down by the fire.

There's a great deal to say at the close of the day.
And so much to talk over with mother;
There's a comical sight or a horrible plight,
Or a ball game or something or other,

And she'll laugh with Larry and sigh with Harry,
And smile to our hearts' desire
At a triumph won or a task well done—
When sitting down there by the fire.

Then little she'll care for the clothes that we tear,
Or the havoc we make on her larder;
For the toil and strife of our everyday life
She will love us a little bit harder.

Then our lady is she, and her knights we would be,
And her trust doughty deeds will inspire;
For we long then anew to be generous and true,
When mother sits down by the fire.

—Martha Burr Banks, in Independent.

VILLARD AND THE N. P.

A Settlement Said to Have Been Reached.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The suit brought by Henry Villard against the Northern Pacific and Manitoba railway company for an accounting as to the disposition of bonds belonging to the road worth between $4,000,000 and $5,000,000 has been discontinued. The terms of settlement are not mentioned in the papers.

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P. I. PACKARD,
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NOTICE.

The British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act authorizing it to issue bonds to the extent of thirty thousand dollars per mile of its railway including an extension from its eastern terminus in an easterly direction to MacLeod or to a point on the line of the Calgary and MacLeod Railway and thence easterly to Lethbridge, and to make such agreements for conveying or leasing the Company's railway and its rights and powers as is usually given to railway companies in their acts of incorporation, and for other purposes.

GEMMILL & MAY,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Ottawa, 20th January, 1897. ja28

NOTICE is hereby given that the British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session, for an act to declare the said British Columbia Southern Railway Company to be a body corporate and politic within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada, and the company's railway to be a work for the general advantage of Canada, also to authorize the extension of the line of the said railway from its eastern terminus in the Crow's Nest Pass, across and over the eastern boundary of British Columbia, into the Province of Alberta, thence in an easterly direction to MacLeod, or to a point on the line of the Calgary and MacLeod Railway, and there to connect with the same, and thence easterly to Lethbridge.

GEMMILL & MAY,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Ottawa, 18th September, 1896. ja28

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of William Johnson, Deceased.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above named William Johnson, deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay, and all persons having any claim against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof duly verified, to the undersigned not later than the 20th day of February, A.D. 1897, after which date the Executors will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard to those claims only of which they shall have had notice.

Tenders for the purchase of section ninety-two (92) Lake District, the property of the deceased, one acre of which was, by instrument in writing, dated the 8th day of March, 1890, leased to George A. Perrin, with an option of purchase in the event of the sale of the remainder of the said property, at a price per acre equal to the highest price per acre obtained for the balance of the said property, which said instrument was by deed dated 21st December, 1891, assigned to William McKeon, Jr., will also be received up to the said 20th day of February, addressed to DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN, Solicitors for the Executors. ja19

Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a Company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster; thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rossland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch of or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Garry, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELYEA,
de16 Solicitor for the Applicants.

In the Matter of the Land Registry Act,

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U.S., by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,
49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,
no25 Solicitor for the Administrator.

NOTICE

We hereby give notice that application will be made at the next sittings of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for the transfer of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the Saint George's Hotel, Esquimalt Road, from ourselves to Mrs. Ann Rothwell.

Dated 21st January, 1897.

JAMES MARCH.
fe10 DAVID CLARKE.

TENDERS.

NOTICE.

Lease of Timber Limits

EAST KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

Sealed tenders will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to 4 o'clock p.m., on Thursday, 25th February, 1897, from any person, persons or corporation, for permission to lease the undermentioned lands for the purpose of cutting spars, timber or lumber, subject to the provisions of the "Land Act," and amendments thereto, viz.:

Lots 260, 261 and 262, Group 1, East Kootenay District, containing in the aggregate 2,680 acres.

The competitor offering the highest cash bonus will be entitled to a lease of the premises for a term of twenty-one years.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified bank cheque to cover the cost of survey, $800.00, the first year's rental, $402.00, and the amount of the bonus tendered. The cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful competors.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 20th January, 1897. ja17

India Relief Fund.

In response to the following telegram from His Excellency, the Governor-General of Canada:

OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1897.

To His Honor; the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.:

After consultation with Dominion Ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion, in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy.

[Signed] ABERDEEN,
Governor-General.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS

Are opened at the following places: City Hall, the Public Schools, Government Buildings, Supreme Court, COLONIST office, Times office, Province office and Board of Trade Building.

It is to be hoped that the people of this city will respond liberally to the appeal for assistance on behalf of millions of our fellow subjects in India who are now suffering from famine and pestilence. The smallest contributions will be thankfully received, and the total amount realized will, I feel confident, show that Victoria is equally ready with her sister cities in the East to contribute her share to the Canadian fund for the relief of suffering humanity.

CHARLES E. REDFERN,
ja29 Mayor.

NOTICES.

[L.S.] E. DEWDNEY.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command.

JAMES BAKER,
de31 Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

January 2nd, 1897. ja12

PARISIAN FANCIES.

Four Yards the Correct Width For a Dress. Fashionable Sacks.

The skirt of the immediate future is only a little over four yards in circumference. This is a move in the right direction, especially as cold weather and fashions together will bring an abundance of thick woolen goods. The decrease of amplitude will relieve suffering womankind from much unnecessary weight of apparel, since less crinoline is now being used.

Parisian authorities consider the square decolletage most becoming to women inclined to embonpoint, while slender ones have the neck of the gown cut rounding.

The hair is still worn more or less waved, the back hair being coiled rather high. The side locks are left rather loose and fluffy and are fastened by side combs.

Alpaca, mohair and materials of that kind are very much liked for traveling wear, but nothing can surpass a good quality of sergo or a camel's hair. Many fashionable women have a skirt of wool and a waist of silk in some subdued color or a plaid. There are dark blue, green, gray and brown plaids that are exceedingly stylish and make the most perfect waists for this purpose. A loose and easily adjust-

YOUNG GIRL'S GOWN.

ed wrap and a trim little hat, with leather gloves, finish the costume most satisfactorily. It is unnecessary to say that no jewelry should be worn. Studs, cuff buttons and a watch and chain are permissible, but these are hardly to be reckoned as jewelry. Some women always wear their rings, thinking that the hand is the safest place for them, in which supposition they are probably correct, but all other articles of ornament pure and simple are tabooed.

A sketch is given of a gown for a very young girl. It is of flowered muslin, the skirt being trimmed around the foot with three ruffles of cream linon edged with narrow lace. The bodice is gathered at the waist and has in front a full plastron of cream lace. The neck is cut down in a slight, round decolletage and is finished by a drapery of deep rose velvet. The belt is of the same material. The bouffant sleeves have full epaulets of lace.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

SILK PETTICOATS.

They Are Unsatisfactory For Everyday Wear—Cambric Much Better.

Silk petticoats are a delusion and a snare to any woman who cannot afford a new one every month. Few articles of apparel appear more enticing when they are displayed in the shops, and their lightness and delicate coloring make one feel that one's wardrobe is incomplete without a specimen of these ruffled and furbelowed garments. But alas for the woman of moderate circumstances who buys a silk petticoat, especially if it be of taffeta, with the idea that she will wear it and "get the good of it," as the saying goes. The friction of walking cuts every fold of the ruffles, the slightest dampness shrinks the cord in the border of the flounces, so that the latter are all puckered at the edge, while the foot of the petticoat comes to rags very shortly. For occasional wear under a thin evening dress the silk petticoat will do very well, but as human nature's daily food it is not satisfactory. Mohair, sateen and moreen are far better investments. They are cheaper in the first place, much more durable and keep their freshness longer. White petticoats of muslin, cambric or lawn are exceedingly pretty and very fashionable at present. Trimmed with lace and ruffles they are as dainty as

WHITE TOILET.

heart could desire and possess the merit of looking as well as new every time they are laundered. The petticoat requires to be very wide and to have a number of full flounces in order to keep its bouffancy, but muslin and lawn are so light that this abundant trimming is no burden, save to the person who does the ironing.

The illustration shows one of the fashionable white costumes. The skirt of white pique is entirely plain. The short bolero is of cream lace over cream taffeta and has square fronts opening over a full chemisette of white mousseline de soie. The draped corselet is of lizard green liberty satin. The sleeve is of cream lace over cream taffeta and has a lace frill at the wrist. The collar is of white mousseline de soie.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

An Artist's Aptitude.

Sir Walter Besant tells of the following curious coincidence which happened to himself. "I was consulting," he says, "an artist with regard to the face and feature of a character which he was illustrating for me, and I briefly described to him the kind of face I had in mind. He was meanwhile rapidly sketching a face on a piece of paper he had before him. 'Will that do?' he asked, showing me the exact portrait of the man I had been thinking of."

D'OYLEY CARTE.

Something of the Man Who Made the Success of Gilbert and Sullivan.

The announcement has been made that at the conclusion of the present season of the Savoy theater, London, the manager of that magnificent playhouse, D'Oyley Carte will retire permanently from participation in theatrical affairs. This will remove from that field of endeavor a man whose influence on the stage has all been

D'OYLEY CARTE.

in the direction of better things, and one who has never allowed the greed for large profits to detract from the completeness of the numerous productions made under his direction.

To this same D'Oyley Carte the lovers of meritorious light music all over the world owe a heavy debt of gratitude, for it was he who, at a time when there was nothing like a certainty of success, brought those phenomenal collaborators, Gilbert and Sullivan, prominently to the attention of the people of other lands than their own. It has often been said by admirers of Mr. Carte that had it not been for his efforts and his wonderful ability as a manager and producer the authors of "Pinafore" and the rest of that long and magnificent series of comic operas would today rank as mere mediocrities instead of standing admittedly at the top in their respective lines. This is probably somewhat of an exaggeration, but it cannot be disputed that with any other man than Mr. Carte at the helm Gilbert and Sullivan would not now occupy the supremely prominent place in the world of theatrical and musical letters that is theirs. It is equally true that they would in all probability not have as large bank accounts as they possess as the result of his combined shrewdness and artistic discernment.

Mr. Carte is said by those who have been in his employ to be very methodical in his business habits and to be a merciless master to persons who attempt to slight their work, while he is the quintessence of courtesy and consideration to those who conscientiously endeavor to do what is required of them. Even though the performer fail, the effort is as fully appreciated as though it were successful and is as certain to receive complimentary recognition.

The matter of living expenses is not likely to keep Mr. Carte awake at night, for if that often wrong but frequently correct jade, Dame Rumor, is to be credited he is a very wealthy man. Most of his money has come to him from the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, but he is believed to have been fairly started on the road to riches at the time he undertook the management of those collaborators' works. A strong effort will be made to induce Mr. Carte to reconsider his determination to retire from the Savoy, but his most intimate friends declare that he has irrevocably made up his mind to take a long rest at any cost, as he feels that he really requires it.

D'Oyley Carte was the son of a solo flutist and was born in London 52 years ago. His first great successful production was "The Sorcerer" in 1877, followed by "Pirates of Penzance" and their successors. He built the Savoy theater especially for the Gilbert and Sullivan operas.

During the heyday of the popularity of these works Mr. Carte was represented in the United States by Miss Helen Lensir, a very shrewd and successful woman of business. Her real name was Miss Couper-Black, but she changed it afterward to that of Mrs. D'Oyley Carte.

Mendacious and Ungrammatical.

An amusing story has come flitting across the ocean about an American variety performer who recently made his debut at the Palace Music hall in London. Two gentlemen who had known him in America attended his foreign debut. They were very much disappointed by the coolness of their countryman's reception and the lack of enthusiasm displayed after he had finished his act. There was scarcely a ripple of applause. The next day they happened to meet the performer on the Strand.

"Say, boys, were you up to see me last night?" was his cheery greeting. "You ought to have been there," he continued volubly, without giving them a chance to reply. "I simply ripped them up the back. You ought to have seen the tremendous reception I got, and when I closed I thought they'd never stop calling me out. I've just been down to cable to my brother about my success. I didn't want to appear to be blowing, so what do you think I cabled?"

His two countrymen were unable to guess.

"Well, I just cabled to him," said the triumphant performer, "three words—'I done nicely.'"

A Mistake Rectified.

Historical playwrights cannot be too careful in regard to questions of fact. In a drama recently produced in Paris by Bergerat and De Sainte-Croix a curious error was discovered. The drama is entitled "Manon Roland" and presents a vivid picture of the revolutionary period. Among the characters Francois Buzot, the Girondin, known to his contemporaries as Le Roi Buzot, is given as an interesting bachelor. Evidently the play was written without sufficient research. Buzot was not only married, but left a large family. His descendants addressed a complaint to M. Jules Claretie, the manager of the Comedie Francaise, asking that the correction be made. Fortunately the descendants were not disposed to take the matter too seriously, and a box was provided from which they might view their ancestor on the stage. This satisfied their demands, and the matter was dropped.

The Derby and Oaks.

The entries for the Derby and Oaks for 1898, made in conformity with usage two years before the races, show the following American nominations: P. Lorillard, 6; W. P. Thompson, 5; J. E. Madden, 4; August Belmont, 3. Richard Croker has entered two English bred colts.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

Maps of the District, Subdivision Maps, etc., can be seen and all information as to Prices and Terms obtained on application to

E. M. JOHNSON,

P.O. Address Box 188. **37 Government Street, Victoria, B.C.,**
Telephone No. 74. AGENT FOR THE OWNERS.

The Gallery God's Joke.

A cockney gallery god furnished the material of this amusing reminiscence of Albert Chevalier. It was during his early days on the stage, and he was playing a part in a holiday pantomime called "The Seven Devils." At one point in the piece the devils one by one sink through a trap, on their way, presumably, to the nether regions. On this night, however, one of the demons failed to materialize at the theater, and at the last moment one of the "supers" was pressed into service. In the hurry and excitement his bulk had not been considered, and when the other six had safely descended into Pluto's domains it was found that the fat "super" was many sizes too large for the opening in the trap. There he stuck in spite of the combined efforts of all the devils to pull him through by the legs. "This of itself was funny," says Chevalier, "but when one of the gallery boys in a tone of intense relief sang out at the top of his voice, 'Thank goodness, hades is full!' there was a universal shout of laughter, in which everybody in the building joined, with the exception of the fat 'super'."

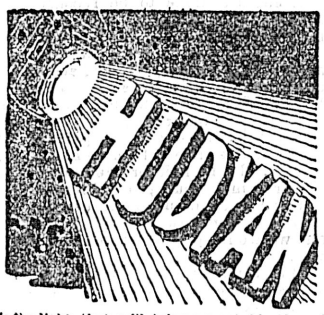
Gloves at the Opera.

The question of wearing gloves at the theater and opera is again being agitated, especially in London. J. E. Dodson, the eminent character actor, who is an acknowledged authority on matters of dress, states that years ago in England it was unusual for gentlemen to appear at the opera ungloved, but the custom was first broken by the Duke of Edinburgh on his return from a long cruise on the Galatea, and since then the wearing of gloves by men has been quite optional. "I know of a newspaper office in London," adds Mr. Dodson, "where, until recently, the musical critic, now deceased, regularly drew 5 shillings for every opera night as 'glove money.'"

Pessimistic John G. Sparks.

John G. Sparks thinks there is a lack of originality in latter day farce comedies. "Old pieces are worked over and presented as new," he remarks, "and we have the 'eleventh edition' of this and the 'nineteenth series' of that. Fresh verses are added to the same old songs and the wrinkles are smoothed out of the same old jokes. There is an unwritten law that something good must be imitated by something bad of the same class."

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.



is the light that will bring a great big glow of Happiness to you. By it you will see how strong and vigorous your now weak body can be made. Hudyan is for men. The great Hudyan is to be had only from the Hudson Medical Institute. This wonderful discovery was made by the specialists of the old famous Hudson Medical Institute. It is the strongest and most powerful vitalizer made. It is so powerful that it is simply wonderful how harmless it is. You can get it from nowhere but from the Hudson Medical Institute. Write for circulars and testimonials.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow guage from a point on the Stikeen river to a point on or near Dease Lake, in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses, and to expropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other usual, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.

DUMBLETON & INNES,
Solicitors and Agents for Applicants.
Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. ja8

The Lanark Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Limited L'y.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the share and stockholders of the above-named Company will be held at the registered offices of such company, situate at 163 Cordova street, in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, on the 6th day of March, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing resolutions authorizing the above-named company to sell and dispose of the whole or any part or portion of its property and assets.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1897.

By order
J. BUNTZEN,
fe6 Secretary.

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 16, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	36·	Mean 38·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	34·		
9 a.m..	39.	Highest 46·	5 a.m.—4 W. 1 p.m.—16 W. 9 p.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	44·	Lowest 34·	Rain—.03. Sun—6 hrs.
5 p.m..	40·		
9 p.m..	35·		

Barometer 9 a. m.... {Observed .... 29.950 {Reduced..... 29.941

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5 a.m..	34·		
9 a.m..	36·	Highest 46·	5 a.m.—6 N.W. 1 p.m.—4 N.E. 9 p.m.—24 S.E.
1 p.m.	45·	Lowest 34·	Rain—.00. Sun—2 hrs.
5 p.m..	42·		
9 p.m..	42.		

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DIED.

RICHARDSON—On the 17th inst., at the corner of Jessie and Catharine streets, Victoria West, Judith, beloved wife of R. B. Richardson, aged 71 years.

The funeral takes place on Friday, at 2 p.m., from the family residence as above. Friends will please accept this intimation.

DOBBS—Entered into paradise on January 9th, 1897, Amy M. (Ria), dearly loved daughter of Rev. C. E. Dobbs, of Valcartier.

TYSON—In this city, on the 15th inst., at his residence, 42 Henry street, Rock Bay, James Tyson, a native of Lauder, Scotland, aged 62 years.

The funeral will take place from the late residence on Thursday, at 2:30 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

FOR FLOWER MEMORIALS that will last, call at Bradbury's Monumental Works, Cormorant street, one block above the City Hall.

COMPULSORY PILOTAGE.

Remonstrances Against the Bill Now Before the Legislature of Washington.

OLYMPIA, Feb. 17.—The committee on commerce and manufactures met on Monday night, and for three hours listened to the reading of petitions, remonstrances and arguments relative to the compulsory pilotage bill. The committee decided by a vote of 8 to 11 to report the bill favorably, eliminating, however, section 21, which allows pilots to charge one-half of their fees if their services are not required. If the report is adopted it will practically kill the bill.

A large number of remonstrances against the bill were filed by foreign and American ship-owners. Another remonstrance was laid before the committee, signed by 58 shipping firms doing business on the Pacific Coast, and representing all the firms engaged in shipping on the Pacific, save one. The exception is James A. Lacey, representing the Brunette sawmill at New Westminster, B. C., who said:

"No; I want compulsory pilotage on Puget Sound, so as to make the port expenses there nearer to those of British Columbia. I want to charter a vessel to load at New Westminster, but meet with objection on account of pilotage.'

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ARRIVES FOR REPAIRS

The "Lyderhorn" Meets With a Slight Misfortune at the Commencement of Her Voyage.

Schooner "Geneva's" Southern Cruise Not a Success—The "Kingston's" Return.

Still another of the absent sealers was heard from yesterday, and this time the news comes to Officer McKenna, of the provincial police, from Captain O'Leary, of the schooner Geneva. The letter was written while the vessel was making for Honolulu for a fresh water supply, and states that the Geneva's entire catch for her cruise in southern waters was but 38 skins. These were taken in one haul, the weather being too rough to permit of the boats being lowered more than once. The letter further states that seals have been very scarce off the California coast. It was Captain O'Leary's intention to continue on his way to the Japanese coast after replenishing his water supply, but from another source it is reported that several of his crew deserted in the Hawaiian capital.

A RECORD CARGO IN PORT.

The tug Lorne put into Esquimalt yesterday with the big four-masted bark Lyderhorn in tow, lumber laden from Chemainus for Sydney, N.S.W. The bark had been compelled to put back for repairs to her windlass, which broke just as she was about to leave Chemainus. She was weighing anchor at the time and in the one accident lost an anchor in fifty fathoms of water. The Lyderhorn has over 2,000,000 feet of lumber aboard, the largest cargo that has ever left Chemainus.

WELCOME THE "KINGSTON."

Agents, wharfingers, hackmen, and in fact everyone who is obliged to daily await the arrival of the Sound steamer, hailed with gladness the return of the old reliable City of Kingston to her regular route and the retirement once more until some future emergency of the Sehome. Three weeks' constant work on the Kingston has put her in excellent condition, and a coat of fresh paint on her exterior has added to her original beauty.

MARINE NOTES.

At 3 yesterday afternoon the City of Puebla came in from San Francisco with consignments of general freight for local merchants amounting to 126 tons. She experienced fairly good weather throughout the passage, but sighted no sealers.

The British ship Speke, lumber laden from Moodyville, in going to sea yesterday found the weather down the Straits too blustry, and, putting about, headed for Port Angeles.

The steamship Empress of India, en route to Victoria and Vancouver, left Hongkong at noon yesterday.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer.....from Vancouver.
" City of Kingston. " Port Townsend.
" Rosalie..... " " "
" City of Puebla.... " San Francisco.
" Lorne..... " Chemainus.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer..... for Vancouver.
" City of Kingston " Port Townsend
" Rosalie..... " " "
" City of Puebla.... " " "
" Hope..... " Comox.

MEMBERS of the W. C. T. U. meet at Temperance hall this afternoon for the consideration of important business.

PROF. STARK delivered the second of his series of lectures before the Victoria Phrenological Society at a meeting of that association last evening.

Mr. W. T. COOKSLEY, of Westminster, is to repeat one of his highly entertaining illustrated lectures at the Metropolitan church next Tuesday evening.

VICTORIA'S Rugby footballers meet the Navy at the canteen grounds Saturday, and as the flagship players are now available, a good game is anticipated.

A NUMBER of clever local athletes gave a pleasant gymnastic exhibition followed with a dance at the A.O.U.W. hall last evening, the Bantly orchestra furnishing the music for the latter part of the entertainment. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Budd brothers.

THE funeral of the late Henry W. Doscher took place yesterday from the residence of his daughter at No. 190 Yates street, Rev. Canon Beanlands officiating there and at Ross Bay cemetery. The pallbearers were: Messrs Thomas Shotbolt, Noah Shakespeare, Joseph Peirson, Joseph Wriglesworth, John Ward and J. P. Walls.

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DOORS WERE CLOSED.

Members of the City Council Exclude the Press From Special Meetings.

Fire Department Differences to Be Made the Subject of Searching Inquiry.

When the city council adjourned on Monday evening last it was with the distinct understanding that a second meeting would be held on Wednesday, to complete the preparation of the estimates and dispose of several other important matters held over from the regular session. And as the list of business promised to be quite extensive, it was arranged to commence the proceedings at 7 o'clock instead of 8, the latter the usual hour.

All the members of the board were in attendance when 7 o'clock came last evening. So also were the representatives of the city dailies, who, much to their surprise, were requested to withdraw. It was a "special meeting," Mayor Redfern explained, and doubtless there would be matters discussed that it would not be politic to make public at present.

This gave Ald. Wilson a cue. He could not see the advantage, he said, of closing the doors and declaring the meeting private, when, having consented to the exclusion of the press, some members of the council could not keep from telling all that transpired. He cited the two last "private meetings" of the board as an example—the reporters were told that they could not be admitted, yet the COLONIST the next morning had all the business transacted duly recorded. How did the paper get the report? he asked.

The Mayor shook his head and intimated that he was not in the secret, while several others of the council chorused, "It wasn't me."

"I did not report those meetings," observed Ald. Wilson, and no one thought of contradicting him.

"Well, neither did I," remarked Ald. Harrison, "for the matter of that. But at the same time I'm getting tired of these hole-in-the-corner meetings. Let the ratepayers know what we are doing all the time. I can't see why we should exclude the reporters to-night or any other night. If there is anything that comes up that it would be to the disadvantage of the city to make public prematurely, I think the reporters will exercise discretion and refrain from mentioning it."

"Now what have we got before us to-night," he inquired in conclusion.

The Mayor replied that the chief items of business would be to investigate matters in connection with the fire department; to dispose of the matter of the city garbage contract; and to complete the preparation of the estimates.

Here Ald. Partridge sought information. He wanted to know whether this was an adjourned or a special meeting, and on being informed that it was the latter he asked why notice had not then been sent in the usual way to each alderman, specifying the nature of the business to be transacted.

Several of the board thought Ald. Partridge had understood the business well enough. He had taken the responsibility of posting notices at the doors of the fire stations, informing the members of the department that they should be in readiness to be examined.

This the alderman are quite prepared to admit. His point was not that he had not understood the character of the meeting, but that business could not be legally transacted, the required notive not having been given.

Then the question of whether or not the press should be admitted again bobbed up, was disscussed for a moment, and was succeeded by debate on other points. To meet that raised by Ald. Partridge, the Mayor finally announced that the meeting would be considered neither adjourned nor special—but rather an "informal" one, anything that might be done to be reconsidered and finally adopted at some subsequent meeting.

"But are we to admit the press?" asked Ald. Harrison, getting back to the original topic. No one said yes or no, but the Mayor suggested his opinion in the matter by observing,

"Such business as the preparation of the estimates should be disposed of in private. It is neither necessary nor proper to make our proceedings public in this connection until our estimate is ready. The government does not do it, and we are in precisely the same position."

Ald. Harrison could not see this. The government was only one portion of the legislature that passed the estimates. He did not admit the parallel, as all members of the legislature did not unite in the work of framing the estimates and then simply go through the formality of passing them publicly. To bring to a focus his point as to open or private meetings, he moved that the press be admitted—then waited for someone to second it.

There was no response, and Ald. Partridge with a smile suggested that the representative of the COLONIST would no doubt now bow and retire.

"This is only an informal meeting anyway," he added in a significant aside.

"Well, all right," said Ald. Harrison, accepting the fate of his motion philosophically. "I've never given any information to the papers heretofore, but I give due warning now. I'm going to do it after this every time you hold one of these private meetings. Some one lend me a pencil and notebook."

It was at this stage of the proceedings that the representative of the COLONIST retired.

Then the aldermen proceeded to business, the remainder of the session being considerably shorter than the portion given up to the disposal of the question as to whether or not "privacy" should be enforced.

The consideration of the estimates was not touched, nor was the matter of the garbage contract—fire department affairs monopolizing the remainder of the session. The discussion was based upon a communication from a number of the members of the department, which it was repeatedly pointed out last evening was not to be taken as a charge against Chief Deasy.

At the same time it was as frequently asserted that he should have opportunity to defend himself, and in connection with the suggestions for the improvement of the service, the Chief will be required to file a formal reply, which is practically a defence. In order that he may have time to do so, the matter stands over until early next week, when a special meeting will be held, and a host of witnesses—the majority of whom were in attendance last evening—examined pro and con.

It looks as though all the dirty linen of the fire department was once again ready for the laundry, and that the next few weeks will witness another airing of grievances in the brigade. As the members of the department are at the present time divided—a number of the call men being covertly if not openly in arms against the chief—something will have to be done and done quickly, if discipline is to be upheld and the efficiency of the brigade maintained. A department whose members are working at cross purposes cannot naturally produce the best results.

"THE PILGRIM JOURNEY."

Third Rendition of Rev. P. C. L. Harris' Cantata Last Evening Attracts a Good Gathering.

Besides demonstrating the efficiency of the choir of the Centennial Methodist church, the rendition of the cantata "The Pilgrim Journey" by that organization last evening should have given the many in attendance a very good impression of the ability of the composer, Rev. P. C. L. Harris, who himself led in the public performance.

It was the third presentation of the cantata and as on the former occasions when the music was presented twice by special request in the Congregational church, it was very warmly received. Mr. Harris' choir support last evening consisted of 25 voices. Miss Lilie Beek, Mrs. Kayton, Miss Gertie Hackett, Mr. Beek and Miss Rosie Tranter being the conspicuous assistants. The unique character of the cantata is that its music is all selected from familiar old songs and hymns. There is a devotional sentiment running all through it, while it tells a story at once familiar to all readers of Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress." In fact it is written from that work, or at least the thought permeating it is therein to be found.

In concluding the concert last night, Rev. J. F. Betts of the Centenial church paid a high compliment to the music, remarking in effect that from a devotional and artistic standpoint from the general pleasure it afforded those present the cantata was meritorous, suggestive and comforting. A collection was taken up for the defraying of some expenses in connection with the improved lighting of the church.

THE ARMY IS DISBANDED.

Local Greeks Do Not Unite In the Effort to Provide the Motherland With a Reserve.

Victoria's scattered population of Greeks, the majority of whom are required to man the little navy claiming the waters of Turret Rock bay as home anchorage, will not after all journey to the famous land of their birth to assist in the humiliation of the Turk. It looked that way a few days ago, but things have altered somewhat, and a rise in the local fish market need not in consequence be apprehended

On Monday last it was that the war thermometer reached boiling point, and memories of Marathon were produced and recounted with martial and patriotic pride. About the same time a young fisherman, conveniently termed Petro, decided to enlist a little company and proffer its services to the nation. He went so far as to reduce his project to writing and secured his own and two other signatures to a memorial to the Greek authorities requesting permission to organize and drill a Victoria company of Greek reserve guards.

A fourth eligible for enlistment read the document through when it was presented to him, and expressed his opinion briefly in what was evidently modern Greek, but which—caught phonetically—sounded like "what th'll."

And as three is an odd number entirely unsuitable for military evolutions, the drilling of the corps has not yet commenced.

PERSONAL.

John Elliot returned yesterday morning from a visit to Nelson.

J. Joseph, Portland, and J. W. Hanna, Seattle, are at the Driard.

G. F. Hauft and wife, leave for San Francisco by the Umatilla to-day.

Raymond Brumbaugh, Vancouver, is among the arrivals at the New England.

A. J. Bechtel, sr., left for Butte, Mont., yesterday morning, where he proposes in the future to reside.

Miss Forin leaves for Alexandria, Ont., to-day, after visiting Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Campbell.

C. A. Lett, Vancouver, and S. J. Palmer, Chemainus, are registered at the Driard.

F. V. Moffatt, of the Portland flour mills, was among yesterday's arrivals at the Driard.

John S. Byron, of the interior steamer Nakusp, is paying Victoria a visit and quartered at the Driard.

Mrs. Procter, who has been a recent guest of Mrs. Clive Phillips-Wolley, has left for her home at Balfour, Kootenay.

W. W. Robinson, of Hamilton, Ont., who has been in the Kootenay country, with whose prospects he was much pleased, left for home yesterday.

A. J. Periard, merchant tailor, of Lachute, P.Q., leaves this evening for San Francisco by steamer Umatilla. He returns home by way of New Orleans.

William Burns, B.A., inspector of schools, left for the Mainland last night, where he will remain for some time, being on an extended tour connected with the departmental business.

W. T. Chapman and H. P. Peterson, of Cobble Hill; Alex. McDonald, of Vancouver; D. Woodward, of Ladners; W. F. Woodbridge, of Newcastle, Me.; and O. F. Zahn, of Los Angeles, are at the Occidental.

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CORRESPONDENT IN TROUBLE.

Three Hours' Fight With Cuban Insurgents—Enthusiastic Reception to General Weyler.

HAVANA, Feb. 17.—Sylvester Scovell, correspondent of the New York World, who was arrested at Tunas on February 6, has been transferred to Santa Clara for trial. It is understood that General Lee, the U. S. Consul-General, had previously wired to Secretary Olney, suggesting the withdrawal of the petition to transfer Mr. Scovell to Havana, in view of the receipt of advices stating that the prisoner has been well treated at Sancti Spiritus, and that he had been shown every courtesy possible under the Spanish law.

Private advices received from Colemenar, near Ceciba-Mercha, province of Matanzas, say that Lieut.-Col. Maga and Col. Alfant had a three hours' engagement with the insurgents under Paul Arango, inflicting the loss of many men upon the enemy. It is further stated that Arango was among the killed. The troops had two men killed and one lieutenant and eighteen soldiers wounded.

Captain-General Weyler was received at Sancti Spiritus to-day with great enthusiasm by the local authorities, and an immense crowd gathered to acclaim his arrival. Almost all the houses in the town were decorated in honor of the event. The presence of General Weyler greatly raised the public spirit of the people of Sancti Spiritus. In receiving the authorities, General Weyler said the revolutionists in Cuba from the very beginning had assumed the character of bandits, seeking always to avoid combats with the Spanish troops. Their idea was to compel the inhabitants to pay tribute, and to collect money for the purpose of carrying on their illegal government. Pacification, added General Weyler, would soon be an accomplished fact owing to the results of the campaign and the success of the Spanish arms.

Pedro Ferdinandez Gueraz has been arrested by the Spanish authorities suspected of political offenses against the government.

Francisco Arazoza, editor of the Gaceta, died to-day.

Over 600 smallpox cases were reported as registered in Havana to-day.

TO SPOIL GREAT BRITAIN.

Patriot Ivory Proposes to Bring Suit Against the English Government.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Ivory, the Irish patriot, will not give John F. McIntyre, the lawyer, who saved him, supreme control when he brings his suit for damages against the British government. On Friday he went to Lawyer Lyman W. Reddington, a very old friend, and asked him as a personal favor to take charge. Ivory said he had everything ready to go ahead, and that his demand would be for $250,000 This was to cover the loss of his business and his health breaking down because of his four months in an English prison. Reddington told him that if his action was against an individual it would be a very simple matter, but against the British government it was somewhat difficult. They would have to fight through the state department at Washington City and the United States ambassador. Mr. Reddington remarked that Gen. Collins, of Boston, who was consul-general at London, was his personal friend and would do all he could to promote Ivory's claim. It was agreed not to move in the case until after March 4, as it would be useless to trouble the Cleveland administration with the matter.

MAJORIBANKS-BROWN.

Wedding at Nashville, Tennessee, of a Brother of Lady Aberdeen.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 17.—To-night in the First Presbyterian church, Rev. I. Vance, D.D., officiating, Miss Elizabeth Brown and Hon. Archibald Majoribanks, of England, were married. The church was filled with plants and flowers. The American and British flags were intertwined, and a harp of pinks and roses presented to Lady Aberbeen by the Irish of Nashville was the central figure. The bride wore a brocaded silk and diamonds, the present of the bridegroom. The bride is a member of one of the most prominent families in the state. The groom is a brother of Lady Aberdeen, wife of the Governor-General of Canada. The Earl of Aberdeen, the Countess, their daughter, Lady Marjorie, and the members of the Earl's staff, were of the bridal party, the Earl wearing his decorations. There were four bridesmaids and a maid of honor. After the wedding ceremony a reception was tendered the bridal party by Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Warner. Mr. and Mrs. Majoribanks left to-night for Florida. Lord Aberdeen and party leave to-morrow. The gifts to the bride, especially from the family of the bridegroom, were exceedingly magnificent. Miss Paynie Dodd, of Louisville, Ky., was the maid of honor, and Mr. Monroe Ferguson, aide to the Governor-General, was the best man.

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THE funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Yorke took place yesterday afternoon from their residence Dallas road, Father Nicolaye officiating.

INTENDING competitors for the examination in connection with the London College of Music, are requested to communicate with the local secretary prior to Tuesday next.

CHANGES in the composition of British Columbia's representative legal firms are quite in fashion. The latest announced is in the retirement of Mr. J. A. Aikman from Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, and the formation by him of a partnership with Messrs. Fulton & Ward, of Kamloops and Grand Forks. Mr. Aikman will remove to the latter city at the close of the present month.

The Dachshund—Why, Belle! Whatever has come over you? Come and have some of this sausage. The Beagle—No, thank you, Florine. The Dachshund—What's the matter? The Beagle—Nothing, only I get so tired of this dog-eat-dog existence! — New York Press.

"Count, I shall want a little luncheon after the theatre." "Yes, mon angel. Eet is quite propaire. But may I ask one small question?" "Certainly. What is it?" "At wheech restaurang does your worthy father run a bill."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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